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THE SWOPE FAMILY
In Contral Pennsylvania

The information presented in these pages, the correspondence here recorded, and the facts of general interest to our family here preserved are compiled with the thought that there are among us those of the Swope name that enjoy strong feelings of kinship, and with these feelings a desire that we and our posterity may have some edification in the presentation here offered, and may be lifted to a more profound sense of responsibility under knowledge of a goodly heritage.

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This work is designated for the purpose of recording in permanent form some facts pertaining to the history of our ancestors, as particularly affecting the Swope families of Huntingdon County and the areas adjacent thereto.

It is hoped that a full and complete history of the "Swope Family" will be published. And if such a history is produced the authors of the present bricfer work offer the facts herein set forth to such a history with the hope that they may be of use.

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COURT HOUSE RECORDS

The following legal records are copied just as they have been received from the various county seats. It is the present purpose to preserve the facts rather than to re-write or produce a connected narrative. If a later history is published it is hoped that the facts here preserved may be used as verifying assistance; they are correct according to existing legal records.

COURT HOUSE RECORDS OF BEDFORD COUNTY

Andrew Swope
Polly his wife

Andrew Swope was the administrator of John Swope of Hopewell Township, Bedford County, Pa. John Swope died August 1822. Sale of property in Bedford Gazette in 1822 (October or November), also in Bedford True American. Andrew Swope was the administrator of John Swope's estate on June 4, 1823. Andrew Swope signed payment note for John Swope on May 31, 1819, August 23, 1819. Polly his wife sold the property to John Taylor.

John Swope
Temperance Swope

John Swope, Sr., of Wells Valley, Hopewell Township, Bedford County purchased land in Hopewell, Pa. in 1812, and sold it to Balzer Swartz on May 31, 1819. Temperance Swope, widow of John Swope; deceased of Hopewell Township, Bedford County, August 1819. Children as follows:

Ann Swope	
William Swope	under 14
Isaac Swope	under 14

Henry Swope

Henry Swope deceased November 24, 1829. John Swoope, John Neff, and John King were executors of Henry Swope. Henry Neff and William Swoope of Huntingdon County are guardians of minor children of Henry Swope, who are as follows:

John Neff Swoope
Henry Swoope, Jr.
Ann Elizabeth Swoope

Lawrence Swope
Ann, his wife

Their place of residence was Washington County, Maryland. Sold property in Dublin Township; Bedford County, Pennsylvania. Ann, his wife, sold land to Dr. William Smith of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on June 11, 1777. First deed recorded as living in Bedford County. Second deed recorded as living in Washington County, Maryland, May 16, 1780. Their signatures are in German.

Samuel Swope

Bought house and lot in Martinsburg, Bedford County.

COURT HOUSE RECORDS OF HUNTINGDON COUNTY

Peter Reilly to Lawrence Swope, dated June 6, 1784. Paid 200 pounds for tract of land in the lands of Little Trough Creek in Hopewell Township, Bedford County.

Deed dated March 4, 1797 between John Swope and Tempe, his wife to David Swope and Lawrence Swope of the second part. Whereas Ann Swope relict----- of Lawrence Swope, deceased, who died intestate, and David Swope son of the said Lawrence Swope seized of a certain tract of land 176 acres in Hopewell Township, in trust for the only proper use or benefit on behalf of the said John Swope, Elizabeth Swope, and Catherine Swope. Said John Swope was one of the co-heirs of said Lawrence Swope, deceased, and Tempe, his wife.

Deed David Swope and wife to Lawrence Swope dated May 16, 1801 of Hopewell Township in the County of Huntingdon. Ann Swope relict----- of the Lawrence Swope property, Raystown Branch of Juniata River.

COURT HOUSE RECORDS OF YORK COUNTY

WILLS

George F. Swope:

George F. Swope, Paradise Township, York County, Pennsylvania. Will is dated March 11, 1780. His wife's name was Anna Maria. He had a son and a daughter.

Conrad Swope:

Conrad Swope of the town of Hanover gave two sons, John and Henry; each \$300. The other sons were George and Adam. His wife's name was Clara. John Swope was the executor. The will was dated July 29, 1799.

DEEDS

Adam Swope-----	January 6, 1816
Benjamin Swope-----	August 19, 1752
Conrad Swope-----	April 20, 1764
George Swope to Benedict Swope--	December 2, 1753
Johannia George Swope -----	December 12, 1763

The wills are written in a deeply religious style.

The following information was taken from the records of York County Historical Society, Court House Building, York, Pa. Miss Cline, Librarian.

Colonel Michael Swope, one of the heroes of Fort Washington, was born in York about 1748. He was a son of George Swope, one of the Commissioners who laid off York County in 1749. He had a family of five children. He was the colonel of York County militia in the Revolutionary War and served under George Washington, associated (?) with General von Stuben, captured in battle by British and confined in British prison in New York City. He was later exchanged and walked home from New York City to York, Pennsylvania.

His first wife was Anna Mary Spangler.

His second wife was Eva, who rented part of the Swope mansion in York to John Hancock, of the Continental Congress when it was in session in York. He was an associate of James Smith of York, who was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

Col. Swope, in 1785, moved to Alexandria, Va. leaving his extensive interests in York in charge of John Hartley.

A rather lengthy and eulogistic biography of Col. Michael Swope appears in one of the volumes of the History of York County. He and his father seem to have laid out the City of York, Pennsylvania.

They were surveyors.

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The first census of Pennsylvania was taken in 1795, and in it appears the names of John Swope, Lawrence Swope, Jacob Swope, Martin Swope and Conrad Swope. Lawrence Swope is listed as living in Philadelphia County in Philadelphia in the northern district between Vine and Race Streets, between Delaware and Schuylkill Rivers. He had six sons and five daughters. Adam Swope, John Swope and Henry Swope are listed from Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

COURT HOUSE RECORDS OF FREDERICK COUNTY, MD.

The records in the Court House of Frederick, Maryland were consulted and nothing appears except in the office of the recorder of deeds between 1740 and 1807, where there are deeds from Adam Swope and Benedict Swope.

Record of
Isaac Swope

Children: Millard Swope
Ann Swope
William Swope

Record of
John Swope

Married Maggie Templeton

Children: Asbury Swope
David Swope
James Swope
Edward Swope
Laura Swope

No Record given
for the following:

Catherine Swope
David Swope
Elizabeth Swope
Mary Swope

Record of
Elizabeth Swope

Married Nathan Chilcott

Children: Son
Daughter
Daughter
William Chilcott
Mary Chilcott

Record of
Robert Swope

Died in Fulton County, Pa. on March 11, 1879
at the age of 82 years. His first marriage was to
Agnes Readdy. His second marriage was to Martha
Mellott, daughter of Theodore Mellott and Polly
Sipes Mellott. She was born in 1808, and died on
September 11, 1898.

Children as follows:
First Wife

-----	Born	Died	Married

Bette Jane Swope-----	Deshong
Sally Ann Swope-----	Giffen
John Swope-----	

Second Wife

William Swope 1831--1898	Lydia Ann Hockensmith
Jane Swope-----	Bevin
Mary Swope-----	John Fisher
Katie Swope-----	Harvey Pahner
Joseph-----	Ruth W. Straight
Nathan-----	Mellott
George Swope 1844--1920----	Lydia Ann Myers
Alvin Swope-----	
Rachel Swope-----	James Haumann

Record of
Betty Jane Swope

Married to a Deshong

Children: Sadie Deshong who married a Shugart
Fannie Deshong who married a Hicks
Lulu Deshong

Record of
Sally Ann Swope

Married to a Giffen

Children:

Married

1. Nan Heaton
Robert Swope Giffen-----2. Priscilla Heaton
Lavinia Giffen-----Barber
Mary Giffen-----Peck
John E. Giffen-----
Russell Giffen-----Florence-----
Sarah Margaret Giffen-----

Record of
Elias Swope

First wife:
Mary Milos

Second wife:
Catherine Campbell

Children of Second wife:

Married

Lydia Ann Swope-----Hockenberry
Howard Swope Myrtle Swope
Henry Swope Eldrige Swope
Andrew Swope Kate Swope
Alice Swope Eunice Swope

Record of
David Swope

LAWRENCE SWOPE
DAVID SWOPE
DAVID SWOPE

Born
Died
Married Barbara Hoffman

Children:
Barton Swope
Erastus Swope
Jacob Swope
Mary Catherine Swope
George Swope
John Swope
McClelland Swope

Record of
Emily Swope

LAWRENCE SWOPE
DAVID SWOPE
EMILY SWOPE

Born
Died
Married Samuel Young

Children:
Henry Young
Laura Young
Frances Young
Elizabeth Young

Record of
Andrew Swope

LAWRENCE SWOPE
DAVID SWOPE
ANDREW SWOPE

Born
Died
Married Margaret S. Clark

Children:
Mary Jane Swope
Cecelia Swope
Cambridge Swope
Calvin Swope
Belle Savina Swope
William Swope
Ella Swope

Record of
William B. Swope

Married to Anna Miller

Children:

Married

Andrew Carl Swope----- Lydia C. Garman
Mary Ellen Swope----- Devor
David Henry Swope
William Benson Swope
Anna Bara Swope
Samuel Penrose Swope
Emma Jane Swope, Died in Infancy
Mary Elizabeth Swope
Abram Bion Swope
Oscar F. Swope

Record of
Jacob Swope

Married to Elizabeth Devor

Children: Rollin Otterhorn Swope
Rebecca Jane Swope
James Devor Swope
Ellsworth Lincoln Swope
David Edwin Swope
Mary Amadas Swope

Record of
Mary Swope

LAWRENCE SWOPE
DAVID SWOPE
MARY SWOPE

Born
Died
Married William Smyers

Children:

John Smyers
Sylvester Smyers
Richard Smyers
Ashbury Smyers
Annie Smyers
Lizzie Smyers
Ella Smyers
William Smyers
Esther Smyers
Bertha Smyers

GENEALOGICAL CHART
of the
DESCENDANTS OF YOST SWOPE
Born 1678
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in 1720 and
SETTLED IN UPPER LEACOCK TOWNSHIP
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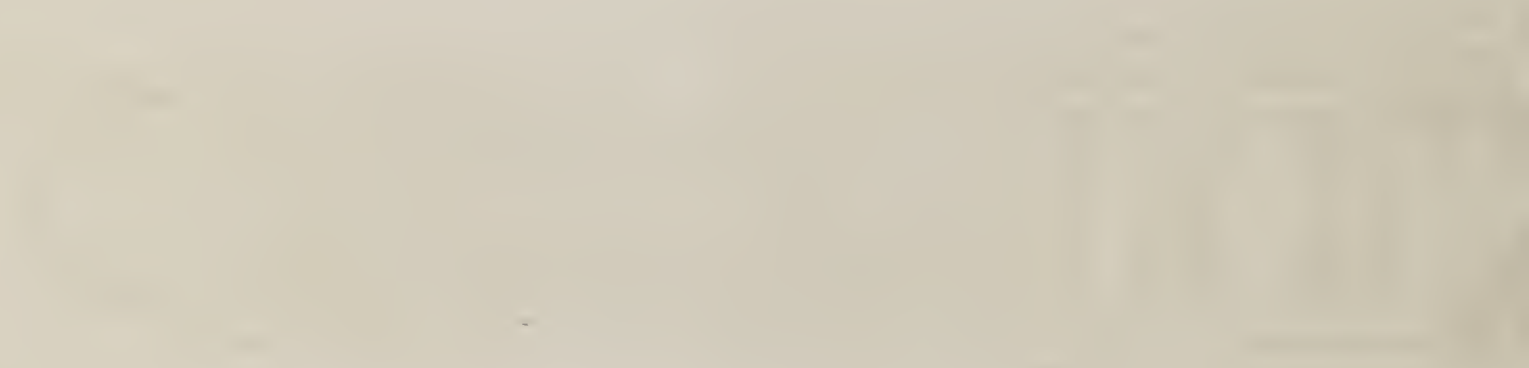
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Children of Yost Swope:

Maria	born	1698
Anna Christina	born	1701
John Swope	born	1704
John Ulrich Yost (Joseph)	born	1707
Anna Elizabeth	born	1713

A son (Michael) was born to John Ulrich Yost (Joseph) Swope, August 27, 1753 in Wolf Creek Valley now W. Virginia

John, the first son of Yost Swope is the head of the Pennsylvania branch, he may have been the father of Lawrence Swope 1.

Records of March 4, 1779 show that John Swope, Catherine Swope, Elizabeth Swope, David Swope and Rachel Swope were co-heirs (probably children) of Lawrence Swope, of a tract of land in Hopewell Township.

In the census of 1790 there appeared the names of the heads of three Swope families in Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania.

Peter Swope	4 children
Lawrence Swope	9 children
John Swope	4 children

Between 1740-1807 the following names are given in the records of deeds and wills:

Benedict Swope
Michael Swope
Conrad Swope
Henry Swope
Adam Swope
Jonathan Swope
George Swope
Martin Swope
John Neff Swope

LAWRENCE SWOPE 1

Record of
Lawrence Swope

Born
Died 1794
Married Anne

Children:

John Swope
Catherine Swope
Elizabeth Swope
David Swope

Mary Swope
Lawrence Swope II
Susannah Swope
Rachael Swope

LAWRENCE SWOPE 1
JOHN SWOPE

Record of
John Swope

Born
Died 1819
Married Temperance

Children:

David Swope
John Swope
Isaac Swope

Robert Swope
William Swope
James Swope

PETER SWOPE

Record of
Peter Swope

Born April 1, 1763
Died June 30, 1839
Married Elizabeth Snyder

Children:

Born

Died

John Swope	July 21, 1786	
Mary Swope	August 30, 1788	
Sarah Swope	June 21, 1790	
Henry Swope	November 18, 1783	
Samuel Swope	March 25, 1796	
Peter Swope	January 7, 1799	
Elizabeth Swope	March 25, 1801	
Joseph Swope	March 25, 1803	
William Swope	October 19, 1804	January 13, 1861
Elizabeth Swope	February 13, 1807	

PETER SWOPE

Dr. WILLIAM SWOPE

Record of
Dr. William Swope

Born October 19, 1804
Died January 13, 1861
Married Bucher

Children:

Born

Died

Henry Sucher Swope	July 17, 1831	February 16, 1874
Caroline E. Swope	August 28, 1833	
Granville P. Swope	October 6, 1835	June 6, 1869
William Conrad Swope	August 10, 1838	April 21, 1847
George Howard Swope	September 29, 1843	March 5, 1844
John Porter Swope	January 9, 1845	
Clara Swope	September 1, 1847	

Record of
Hon. Henry B. Swope

PETER SWOPE
DR. WILLIAM SWOPE
HON. HENRY BUCHER SWOPE

Born July 17, 1831
Died February 16, 1874
Married

Children:
Roland Swope
William Swope
Janie Swope

Record of
David Swope

LAWRENCE SWOPE 1
JOHN SWOPE
DAVID SWOPE

Born
Died
Married Mary Brickley

Children:
Elizabeth Swope
John Swope
William B. Swope

Record of
Isaac Swope

LAWRENCE SWOPE
JOHN SWOPE
ISAAC SWOPE

Born
Died
Married

Children:
Millard Swope
Ann Swope
William Swope

Record of
Robert Swope

LAWRENCE SWOPE 1
JOHN SWOPE
ROBERT SWOPE

Born 1797
Died March 11, 1879
Married (1) Agnes Roady
(2) Martha Mellett

Children: First wife	Born	Died
Betty Jane Swope		
Sally Ann Swope		
John Swope		
William Swope	1831	1898

Second wife
Jane Swope
Mary Swope
Katie Swope
Joseph Swope
Nathan Swope
George Swope 1844
Alvin Swope
Rachel Swope

Record of
John Swope

LAWRENCE SWOPE 1
JOHN SWOPE
DAVID SWOPE
JOHN SWOPE

Born
Died
Married Maggie Templeton

Children:
Ashbury Swope
David Swope
James Swope
Edward Swope
Laura Swope

Record of
Lawrence Swope 11

LAWRENCE SWOPE 1
LAWRENCE SWOPE 11

Born February 14; 1775
Died December 21, 1844
Married Sarah Greenland

Children:	Born	Died
Mary Swope	January 19, 1801	1861
Caleb Swope	February 27, 1803	December 24, 1860
Anna Swope	October 10, 1805	November 25, 1855
David Swope	August 22, 1809	July 27, 1873
Moses Swope	December 2, 1811	March 27, 1883
John Swope	March 4, 1817	1901
Sarah Swope	August 17, 1823	February 8, 1896

Record of
Caleb Swope

LAWRENCE SWOPE 1
LAWRENCE SWOPE 11
CALEB SWOPE

Born February 27; 1805
Died December 24, 1860
Married

Children:
Currance Swope
William Swope
Ella Swope
Sarah Swope

Record of
James F. Swope

Born Jan. 4, 1849

Died Nov. 29, 1926

Married Ruth Wright Phumant on Oct 29, 1874

Ruth Wright Phumant was born

Died at Altoona, Pa Apr 16, 1917

aged 63 years, 4 mo. 17 days

Lawrence Swope I

Lawrence Swope II

Moses Swope

James F. Swope

Children

Jose Madison Swope

Harper Elmer Swope

Mabel Elida Swope

Carrie Ada Swope

Wilbur David Swope

Orren Grant Swope

Chester Daughlin Swope

Born

Apr 5, 1876

June 16, 1879

Feb 26, 1881

May 30, 1883

Feb 26, 1886

Aug 17, 1887

Oct. 22, 1891

Died

July 27, 1878

June 18, 1950

Mar 28, 1913

Feb. 20, 1922

Record of
David Swope

LAWRENCE SWOPE I
LAWRENCE SWOPE II
DAVID SWOPE

Born August 22, 1809
Died July 27, 1873
Married Isobel Wright

Children:	Born	Died
Sarah Swope	January 21, 1832	March 11, 1838
Abram W. Swope	June 5, 1833	January 1, 1911
Lawrence Swope	September 18, 1834	November 14, 1897
Catherine Swope	August 5, 1836	
Harry H. Swope	April 6, 1840	
Emaline C. Swope	October 2, 1846	June 18, 1906
Mollie E. Swope	January 22, 1850	December 26, 1886

Record of
Moses Swope

LAWRENCE SWOPE I
LAWRENCE SWOPE II
MOSES SWOPE

Born December 2, 1811
Died March 1883
Married Susan Leach

Children:	Born	Died
Amy Swope	July 4, 1837	December 31, 1909
Alfred Swope	October 20, 1839	September 17, 1862
Allison Swope	October 14, 1841	August 11, 1862
Amon W. Swope	August 28, 1843	April 19, 1907
Sara Swope	July 17, 1845	June 17, 1887
Oliver Swope	March 9, 1847	April 27, 1903
James F. Swope	January 4, 1849	
Alvaretta Jane Swope	November 11, 1851	
William M Swope	August 27, 1855	

Record of
John Swope

LAWRENCE SWOPE 1
LAWRENCE SWOPE 11
JOHN SWOPE

Born March 4, 1817
Died 1901
Married (1) Amy Chilcott
(2) Sara Jane Berry

Children: First wife

Lewden Swope	Born January 6, 1839
Emily Swope	June 11, 1840
Irene Swope	May 22, 1845

Second wife

Martha Swope	Born February 6, 1847	Died
Caleb Swope	July 28, 1849	
Marshall Swope	April 28, 1851	1864
Alva Swope	December 11, 1854	
Sarah Ellen Swope	March 18, 1856	
John Swope	November 6, 1858	1868
Laura Ettie Jane Swope	April 7, 1861	
Samuel Lawrence Swope	December 13, 1863	Infancy
Mary Bernice Swope	April 21, 1867	

Record of
Elizabeth Swope

LAWRENCE SWOPE 1
JOHN SWOPE
DAVID SWOPE
ELIZABETH SWOPE

Born
Died
Married Nathan Chilcoat

Children:

Son
Daughter
Daughter
William Chilcoat
Mary Chilcoat

Record of
William B. Swope

LAWRENCE SWOPE 1
JOHN SWOPE
DAVID SWOPE
WILLIAM B. SWOPE

Born
Died
Married Anna Miller

Children:

Died

A. Carl Swope
Mary Ellen Swope
David Henry Swope
William Benson Swope
Anna Bare Swope
Samuel Peurose Swope
Emma Jane Swope
Mary Elizabeth Swope
Abram Bion Swope
Oscar F. Swope

Infancy

Record of
Jacob Swope

LAWRENCE SWOPE
JOHN SWOPE
DAVID SWOPE
JACOB SWOPE

Born 1829
Died 1910
Married Elizabeth Devor

Children:

Rollin Otterhorn Swope
Rebecca Jane Swope
James Devor Swope
Ellsworth Lincoln Swope
David Edwin Swope
Mary Amanda Swope

Record of
Sally Ann Swope

LAWRENCE SWOPE
JOHN SWOPE
ROBERT SWOPE
SALLY ANN SWOPE

Born
Died
Married Giffen

Children:
Robert Swope Giffen
Lavinia Giffen
Mary Giffen
John E. Giffen
Russell Giffen
Sarah Margaret Giffen

Record of
Elias Swope

LAWRENCE SWOPE
DAVID SWOPE
ELIAS SWOPE

Born
Died
Married (1) Mary Miles
(2) Catherine Campbell

Children: First wife None
Second wife

Howard Swope
Lydia Ann Swope
Henry Swope
Andrew Swope
Alice Swope
Myrtle Swope
Eldridge Swope
Kate Swope
Eunice Swope

Record of
David Swope

Married to Barbara Hoffman

Children: Barton Swope
Erastus Swope
Jacob Swope
Mary Catharine Swope
George Swope
John Swope
McClelland Swope

Record of
Emily Swope

Married to Samuel Young

Children: Henry Young
Laura Young
Frances Young
Elizabeth Young

Record of
Andrew Swope

Married to Margaret S. Clark

Children: Mary Jane Swope
Cecelia Swope
Cambridge Swope
Calvin Swope
Belle Savina Swope
William Swope
Ella Swope

THE LAWRENCE SWOPE HISTORY

(with introductory correspondence)

by

Mr. George A. Swope, Little Rock, Ark.

and

Prof. Harper E. Swope, Pittsburgh, Pa.

The interest and initiative that have promoted preparation and preservation of the following historical sketch are to be highly commended. We bear an honored and an honorable name. We do not rest in the merits of our ancestry; but rather from their honored and sacrificial examples it is our desire to make our own generation a worthy memory to those who follow us. They builded well; let us build well.

Al D. Swope
412 Pennsylvania Ave.,
South Huntingdon,
Huntingdon, Pa.

June 2, 1934

My dear Sir:

You may have long since decided that I absconded with that most interesting record of the Swope family you so kindly loaned to me and that you at last have discovered a black sheep in the Swope flocks.

I wanted to have five copies made of the record and my thirteen year old grand-daughter, Jean Roth (Jean is a daughter of my stepson. I have no children of my own) kindly consented to make the copies for me on her new typewriter. Jean is in second year Junior High and she did this typing along with her school work and, incidentally, she won citations in English, Mathematics, History, Science, Home Ec., Sewing, and Latin. I believe you will agree with me that she has done a rather neat job all around.

I wish to again express my sincere thanks to you for the loan of this most interesting data on the history record of our ancestors. I am sending a copy to my aunt, Mrs. George Case of Estherville, Iowa, formerly Mary Bernice Swope, the youngest child of my grandfather John Swope and the only one of this family of children now living. Also I am sending a copy to Mrs. Louanna B. Dunning of 566 Paul St., Denver, Colorado. Mrs. Dunning formerly Miss Louemma B. Belov, is the young lady you mention in your letter as having visited the old Pennsylvania homestead years ago in company with my grandfather. She and one of her daughters are sailing the first of this coming July for a vacation trip abroad. They have promised to stop for a short visit as they return in August and I am hoping this may be at the time of the Swope reunion in which case we will surely try to join with you all. Mr. Dunning lost his life in an automobile accident some years ago.

My grandfather was married March 9, 1737 to Miss Amy Chilcott. To this union was born:

Lesdon Swope, January 6, 1838, He died at the age of six years.

Emily Swope, Mrs. Dunning's mother, June 11, 1840.

Irene Swope, My mother, May 22, 1843.

Grandmother Swope died June 9, 1845.

Grandfather then married Miss Sarah Jane Berry and to whom the following children were born:

Martha, February 8, 1847

Caleb, July 28, 1849

Marshall, April 28, 1851

(When 15 years of age Marshall fell down on a sharp piece of glass which entering through his eye, penetrated to the brain resulting in his death.)

Alva, December 11, 1854

Sarah Ellen, March 18, 1856

John, November 6, 1858

(John at about 30 years of age was accidentally killed in the mines at Butte, Montana.)

Laura Ettie Jane, April 7, 1861

Samuel Lawrence, December 15, 1863

(I believe Samuel Lawrence died in infancy.)

Mary Berneice, April 21, 1867

Except as noted all of these children, my uncles and aunts, grow to man and womanhood, were married and raised families and their children have been prosperous, law-abiding, and church giving people. As I have already stated the only one of this family of brothers and sisters now living is Mary Berneice, now Mrs. George Case of Estherville, Iowa.

Since you have always lived in the original Swope district it occurs to me you may have among your friends or neighbors someone who might be interested in the following items relating to my grandmother's family, The Chilcotts:

Richard Chilcott was born January 4, 1786. He was married to Miss Ruth Lovell who lived near Westminster Town, Frederick County, Maryland in 1774. Richard died August 16, 1848. His wife Ruth died June 8, 1868. They lived on a farm near Salina Jefferson County, Iowa.

Their children were:

Ruben born April 14, 1812

Richard born December 13, 1813

Harriet born October 28, 1815

Amy born July 1, 1817 (Amy was my grandmother)

Thomas born July 11, 1819

Asa born April 4, 1821

Miriam born August 22, 1823

Ethan born July 24, 1825

George Miles born January 2, 1828 (George Miles was sent to Congress from the then territory of Colorado.)

Jane born June 15, 1830

Sarah born November 27, 1832

Well! Fifty seventh cousin Al, the winds of time have blown the Swope seeds far afield. The progeny of these, our dead and gone pioneering ancestors, are scattered here and there about the earth and I suppose, taken as a whole, we represent a very humble, yet daring, men and women of our forebears, who braved the wide Atlantic in sailing argosies and sought fortune in new worlds.

I have upon several occasions driven through to Washington and Philadelphia. I may do so again in which case I will gauge my gas tank for a filling at your station and while the pump fills up the car tank we can look each other over for family resemblances.

If this present period of so long longed for prosperity proves long lived and N. R. A. codes will sanction I may join the clan at the reunion. Anyhow I hope you will remember to announce the date.

I received a nice letter from Harper E. Swope of Pittsburgh and am sending him a copy of all this, though I anticipate he had it all.

I suppose you will be leaving some boys and girls behind you to carry on the family traditions and to you all I send my greeting of Good Will.

Sincerely.

Henry Marshall Miller

I have just received a letter from H. E. Swope advising that the annual reunion will this year be held August 11th and in the Swope neighborhood.

My birthday is August 10th so I am planning a double celebration by attending this historic gathering if I can.

H. M. M.

February 12, 1934

Mr. S. B. Swope,
Canal Winchester,
Ohio.

Dear Sir:

My mother, Mrs. Irene Swope Miller, died several years ago in Idaho. She had three sons, myself and two brothers. Among her effects we found three diaries--one for each of the three boys--in which Mother had recorded many, if not most, of the interesting happenings in her family from the time of her marriage to my father until her death.

Recently my cousin and her daughter residing in Denver, Colorado visited us in our home here and we became much interested in climbing, in our memory, among the branches of our family tree.

I learned from my mother's diary that my great-grandfather was Lawrence Swope, born in Huntingdon, Pa. in 1775 and died in 1844. Moses, Caleb, David, and John were four sons of Lawrence Swope, my great grandfather. John my grandfather, settled in Jefferson County, in or near Fremont, Ohio. I have been unsuccessful in locating any of David's descendants in Fremont. Caleb, it appears, died Dec. 24, 1880. There is no further reference to Lawrence.

I ran across your name recently in Dun's rating book and I am wondering if you have any records that would indicate we are of the same family of Swope.

My mother's diary mentioned a Dr. Swope of Denning, New Mexico who was a descendant of Benedict Swope, a preacher of Baltimore, Md. in 1771 and a Thomas H. Swope of Kansas City, Mo., and a Mr. Harper E. Swope of Elkins, W. Va., and the record seems to indicate that these lived in or near Baltimore, Md. in the early years of the seventeenth century.

They appear to trace back to a Joseph Swope (or a Yoss Schwab) as the name was then spelled, who was born in Sinsheim, Duchy of Baden, Swabia, Germany, in 1678 and came to America about 1720 with his two sons, John and Ulrich.

If you have any records that might fit into this family jigsaw puzzle and would care to take the time to write me about it, I would be very grateful, also if you are interested, I will be very pleased to have a copy made of this record as it appears in the pages of the diary.

Very sincerely,
Henry Marshall Miller

13107 Athens Ave.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

S. E. Swope
Canal Winchester
Ohio
February 21, 1934

From S. E. Swope;
Canal Winchester,
Ohio.

Dear Mr. Miller,

I have been trying to get the address of Blanche Swope, Pittsburgh, Pa., who is secretary of the Swope reunion held at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania last August, but have failed to get her street address.

She has a very complete record of the Swopes and if you can get in communication with her, you no doubt can get the information you desire.

Yours very truly,
S. E. Swope

412 Pennsylvania Ave.
South Huntingdon
Huntingdon, Pennsylvania
February 14, 1934

Mr. H. M. Miller,
Cleveland,
Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Your letter referring to descendants of Yost Swope, the great-great-great grandfather of Lawrence Swope the first is very interesting. My great-great-etc. grandfather Lawrence Swope settled in Trough Creek Valley. He is supposed to be buried at Sheridan School-house, although the exact location of the grave is not known. His funeral was preached in a barn near that place.

Your great-grandfather was a cousin of my grandfather or Moses Swope. John Swope visited my father in my recollection. If I remember right he had a Miss Belov with him and I think one of his daughters.

I am sending your letter to Mr. H. E. Swope, 3308 Camp St., Pittsburgh, as he is compiling a history of the Swope family and also had them traced back to Yost Swope and the Swabians of Germany.

You can get a lot of information from George Swope of Little Rock, Arkansas. Infer that we are related directly through Lawrence Swope who is buried in Trough Creek Valley. We hold a Swope reunion somewhere around here every year and will be glad to acquaint you when it is, this summer. I would like to see those diaries for the Swope tree and am sure Harper E. Swope will be glad to get in communication with you. Also George Swope. I think these two have our descendants traced back to where they climbed trees and cracked nuts with their teeth.

The strain here and in York and Lancaster counties as far as I know are law abiding, industrious, sober, and not given to "riotous living." I have never known of a Swope being in jail or being arrested for a crime.

I own the old Swope homestead in Trough Creek Valley that was once owned by your great-great-great-grandfather. Hope we can have a gabfest sometime this summer at our reunion.

I think I will mail you a type written synopsis of our tree to look over and hope you will return the same to me as soon as you are through with it.

Yours truly,
Al D. Swope

3808 Camp Street
Pittsburgh, Pa.
March 24, 1934

Mr. H. M. Miller;
15107 Athens Ave.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Miller:

My cousin, Al D. Swope of Huntingdon, Pa. has referred to me your interesting letter of February 13, relative to the Swope family history. I am the Harper E. Swope of Elkins, W. Va. referred to in your mother's diary.

Your grandfather John Swope of Fairfield, Iowa visited our home near Huntingdon, Pa. when I was a boy on the farm and I remember him very well. At almost the age of eighty he was at that time a very sprightly and fine looking man. He was a full uncle to my father, James F. Swope.

My cousins here are working with me on a history of the Swope family which we are going to have published. I would appreciate it greatly if you would send me a copy of the records referring to the Swope family as they appear in your mother's diary. A precise copy would be most helpful. I'll warrant that your mother was a careful woman and thoughtful. She would be my father's third cousin. The ancestor of the Swope family in Germany was mayor of his town and his descendants in America have usually been business men, professional men, or public men. Some have risen to high places in life. Your great grandfather was Lawrence Swope II. His father Lawrence I, a pioneer in founding Huntingdon County, Pa. We are at a loss to establish authentic records concerning Lawrence I and it may be that your mother's diary contains the very material we are searching for.

It was most kind and thoughtful of you to write us and I assure you the records from your mother's diary will be most welcome. When we have the next reunion of our family in Pennsylvania, I hope you will attend. If I can give you any information from my records, I shall consider it a pleasure.

Yours sincerely,
Harper E. Swope

18107 Holmes Ave.
Cleveland, Ohio
June 1934

Mr. H. B. Swope,
5303 Camp Street,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

My dear Sir:

I hope you will pardon my long delay
in making reply to your interesting letter of
March 21st.

I am enclosing a copy of my letter
to Al D. Swope of Huntingdon together with a
copy of the notes in my mother's diary. I am
rather sure you have all of these historical
facts in the notes you have already assembled,
but I am glad to send them along for any possi-
ble interest they may be to you. Sometime when
I am in Pittsburgh I mean to impose upon your
time long enough to search for any Swope ear-
marks and which have been preserved to a greater
or lesser degree, in all of the connections it
has been my good fortune to contact.

Looking forward to a meeting with
you sometime and hopeful I may be able to attend
the 1934 Reunion,

I am Sir,
Respectfully yours,

Henry Marshall Miller

Mr. Alva Swope,
Mankato, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Last winter my mother who lived at Stillwater, Oklahoma obtained your address from her neighbor Mrs. R. D. Chandler a former resident of Mankato, Kansas and Fairfield, Iowa. She understood that you lived in Fairfield, Iowa and accordingly wrote you there. In the hope that you might be able to throw some light on the early history of the Swope family. My letter was returned by the post office sometime ago marked unknown. Yesterday I received a letter from my father's cousin, Mrs. Currance J. Hudson, Shirleyburg, Pennsylvania giving me your address.

I am a son of Amos W. Swope who died at Stillwater, Oklahoma three years ago. He was a son of Moses Swope of Trough Creek Valley, Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania. Moses Swope has three brothers--Caleb, David, and John. I understand that you are a descendant of John. Mrs. Hudson is your Uncle Caleb's eldest daughter.

Moses Swope was a son of Lawrence who was born in Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania in 1775 and died in 1844.

Lawrence Swope had three brothers--John, Caleb, and David. John lived in Hill Valley, Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania. David moved to Ohio. His descendants lived in Fremont, Ohio. Caleb died I think without marrying. I am not sure of this however. Lawrence Swope's father was also named Lawrence. He was in Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania as early as 1775. Where he was born and the year of his death are unknown. My grandmother Swope had lived in the vicinity of Baltimore and was of German descent.

I had a letter from a Dr. Swope of Denning, New Mexico a short time ago, in which he gave me his line of descendants from Benedict Swope who was a preacher in Baltimore in 1771. Dr. Swope noticed that there was a similarity in the early family name of our branch and he thought that further investigation might develop the fact that the first Lawrence Swope and Benedict might be brothers. Although there was no Lawrence in his family tree which began with Benedict. Dr. Swope advised me that the late Thomas H. Swope, so well known in Kansas City and also a descendant of Benedict.

I have a cousin Mr. Harper E. Swope, now principal of the schools at Elkins, W. Virginia, who has ascertained that the first Swope who came to America was Joseph or Yost Schwab as the name was then spelled. He was born at Sinsheim in the Duchy of Baden in Swabia, Germany in 1678 and came to America about 1735 with his two sons. John was born in 1704 and John Ulrich was born in 1707. The family settled in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. John emigrated to Virginia and John Ulrich remained in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. He had seventeen children who lived in Pennsylvania and Maryland. The oldest of his children was John who was born in 1701. If we are descended from Ulrich Swope, I am inclined to believe that it was through John, his oldest son. I have not yet learned his father's name or in what year Lawrence was born or his age. He must have died about 1800 or 1801 in Trough Creek Valley, Pennsylvania. Did you ever hear any of the older members of your family tell any of the traditions of the family that would help us to find the missing link between Lawrence Swope and John Ulrich if he was descended from him?

I recently received a letter from a lady in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, a descendant of John Swope, who had lived in Hill Valley, Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania, and who was the son of the first Lawrence. She very kindly gave me a list of the names of the other descendants of John. My cousin Harper and I are trying to solve the problem of how and when our ancestor Swope reached America, and we will be very glad to have your assistance.

It would be a matter of much interest to know who are the descendants of John Swope, your kinsman who was a brother to Moses Swope, and if not too much trouble will you kindly give me their names and place of residence.

I have written you at some length in regard to the Swope family. But I cannot very well condense what I want to say in much smaller space. Again assuring you that any information you can give me will be appreciated. Hoping for a reply at your early convenience.

I am yours very truly,

George A. Swope,
1612 Barber Avenue,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

A Brief Account of The Descendants of
Lawrence Swope of Huntingdon County,
Pennsylvania compiled from the Records
of Bedford And Huntingdon Counties,
Pennsylvania, By G. A. Swope, Little
Rock, Arkansas, And H. E. Swope, Pitts-
burgh, Pennsylvania. July 1923

Read at the first general reunion of the Swope family
at the residence of Mrs. Isabelle Swope, Colfax, Pa., in
August 1923 by Mr. W. A. Crossley of Colfax, Trough Creek
Valley, Pa.

One hundred and fifty years ago Lawrence Swope re-
sided in that part of Dublin Township, Bedford Co.,
which is now Shirley Township, Huntingdon Co., Pennsyl-
vania. Evidence that he lived there is found in the
following Bedford County Court Record taken from a His-
tory of Huntingdon County published by J. Simpson Africa
in 1833.

"On the 12th day of July, 1773, on a petition of a
number of the inhabitants of the county, Benjamin Ell-
iott, John Ramsey, John Walker, Gaven Cluggage, Law-
rence Swope and James Carmichael were appointed to view
and lay out a road leading from Bedford to Baltimore. As
no report was made by these viewers at April sessions,
1774, on petition, another board of viewers consisting of
James Galbraith, Samuel Thompson, Gaven Cluggage, Giles
Stevens, Charles Boyle, and Samuel Daniel, were appoint-
ed to lay out a bridle-road. The report of these view-
ers was presented to the Court at July sessions 1774,
and the road ordered to be opened thirty feet wide. The
line began at Silver's Ford, on the Juniata River, about
a mile above the mouth of Aughwick Creek, crossed the
creek north of Fort Shirley, passed Robert Cluggage's
mill and intersected the wagon road at Charles Magill's
at the Burnt Cabins. Distance, according to the return,
twenty-one miles and fifty four perches."

These viewers lived near the route of the road: Rev.
Dr. Wm. Smith Provost of the University of Pennsylvania
and founder of the town of Huntingdon held in trust
land with which the University had been endowed by the
provincial government. In the assessment for Dublin
Township, Bedford County for 1771 there are 1100 acres
in his name in this township as follows:

500 A. near the Red Bank (on Aughwick)
200 A. near the mouth of Aughwick
300 A. adjoining Samuel Charton on Aughwick
100 A. on top of Sidelong Hill

It is probable that Lawrence Swope settled on one of Dr. Smith's tracts about 1772 and when he had finished paying for it, he was given a deed as the records of the Recorder of Deeds in Bedford County show that in 1777 Lawrence Swope bought 150 acres of land in Dublin Township from William Smith, D. D. of the city of Philadelphia.

On May 16, 1780 Lawrence Swope sold this tract of land to James Carmichael. The deed reads, "Lawrence Swope from Washington Co., Maryland." The present county seat of Washington County is Hagerstown, Maryland.

Lawrence Swope sold his land to his neighbor, James Carmichael, and moved to Trough Creek Valley. The Bedford County records show that in 1785 Lawrence Swope bought 230 acres of land on the banks of Trough Creek in Hopewell Township (now Cass Township) from Peter Riley, bordered by lands of William Dean.

Huntingdon County was formed from Bedford County in 1787 and the first assessment for the new county in 1788 for Hopewell Township shows the following assessment for that part of the township that is now Cass Township:

Johnston, Hugh	50	A. 1 H. 1 C
Locket, Thomas	500	A. 2 H.
Riley, Peter	500	A. 2 H. 1 C
Shop, Lawrence	195	A.
Thompson, Peter	200	A. 2 C. 2 C

In the first census of the United States in 1790 appeared the name of the heads of two or three Swope families in Huntingdon County as follows:

Males 16 years & upward including heads of families:	Males under 16 years	Females
Swoop, Peter 1	1	2
Sope, Lawrence 3	1	5
Shope, John 1	1	2

The Huntingdon County history shows that Peter Swope lived in Huntingdon and that Lawrence Swope lived in what is now Cass Township. It is possible that John Shope was a Swope and he may be Lawrence Swope's son John who lived in Shirley Township.

The records of the Huntingdon County Recorder of Deeds show a transfer of land from Peter Riley to Lawrence Swope, June 6, 1787. On April 16, 1794 Lawrence Swope sold his land to William Estep.

Moses Swope, grandson of Lawrence Swope, stated about 1877 that his grandfather was from Germany and was one of the early settlers in Trough Creek Valley and when he came into the valley, it was covered by a forest of white pines. Moses Swope's widow, Susan, in 1892 related a tradition that Lawrence Swope had come from Germany and that on the ship he came over in that there was another man named Swope who was not related to him. She also said that Lawrence Swope had lived in Maryland before moving to Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Currance Swope Hudson, great-granddaughter of Lawrence Swope, wrote several years ago that preaching was held during Lawrence Swope's life time in the barn on his place which was afterwards known as the Estep place. On June 16, 1905 Abraham W. Swope of Mapleton Depot, Pa. committed the following interesting account of his great-grandfather to writing:

"My great-grandfather on my father's side was married in Germany and moved to this country in the latter part of the seventeenth century, bought and settled on the Jacob Estep farm in Trough Creek Valley, now owned and occupied by Graham Wright. My great-grandfather traded this farm for a farm on the east bank of Rays-town Branch at the foot of the west side of Terrace mountain, and is still known as the "Old Swope Farm". My grandparents did not occupy this farm on the Rays-town Branch. Some of their goods were moved from the Trough Creek farm to this one. The old gentleman was taken sick and died, soon after his death his wife died; they were buried in the cemetery known as the "Sheridan School House Cemetery" in Trough Creek Valley about three-fourths of a mile north of said Estep place where they had formerly lived. My grandmother Wright was at their funeral, the sermon was preached in an old barn at the east side of the cemetery, where some apple trees stood. One son, a brother of my grandfather Lawrence Swope, is buried at the same cemetery, he died with the measles. Another son moved to the state of Ohio and my grandfather Lawrence Swope settled on the farm on the east side of Raystown Branch above referred to, and some years later bought and lived on the farm lately owned by Peter Bowman in Trough Creek Valley about 1½ miles south of the village of Calvin on east

side of the creek. He dropped dead suddenly in a blacksmith shop in Cassville on the 21st day of December, 1844--aged 69 years, 10 months and 7 days. His wife, Sarah Swope died August 25th, A. D. 1853 aged 72 years. They both were buried at the Baptist Church cemetery about 1½ miles west of their residence in Trough Creek Valley.

Lawrence Swope died in 1794 and the records of the Register of Wills of Huntingdon County show "Letters of Administration in Common form were granted to Anne Swope and David Swope of the estate of Lawrence Swope deceased of Hopewell Township on August 16, 1794."

A record of the farm on Raystown Branch for which Lawrence Swope traded is found in the following entry in the Huntingdon County recorder's records "Deeds of Joseph Johnston and wife to heirs of Lawrence Swope, deceased Nov. 18, 1794 who died inte-state, and David Swope, son of said inte-state Lawrence has paid 250 pounds for tract of land in Hopewell Township on the east side of Raystown Branch."

Another quotation from a different part of the county record runs as follows "March 4, 1799 Deed between John Swope and Tempe, his wife of Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania of the one part and David Swope and Lawrence Swope deceased who died inte-state and David Swope, son of the said Lawrence stand seized of a certain tract of 177 acres in Hopewell Township in trust for the only proper use, benefit and behalf of the said John Swope, Catherine Swope, Elizabeth Swope, Susannah Swope, and Rachel Swope, co-heirs of the said Lawrence Swope, deceased. Indenture witnesseth that the said John Swope, one of the co-heirs of said Lawrence Swope in consideration of 30 pounds paid by Lawrence Swope and David Swope, etc."

From the above it appears that Lawrence left eight children and the oldest son, John sold his share of the estate to his brothers David, and Lawrence 1799. John evidently had married and lived in Shirley Township while his brother David was appointed an administrator of the estate. David Swope was a Supervisor of Highways in Hopewell Township in 1795 and moved to Ohio. His descendants live at Fremont, Ohio. Lawrence Swope lived on the Swope farm on Raystown Branch. The Huntingdon County records show deeds for transfer of Real Estate to Lawrence Swope as follows:

Mary Sailor to Lawrence Swope,	October 27, 1800
David Swope to Lawrence Swope;	May 16, 1801
Isaac Smart to Lawrence Swope.	December 25, 1801
Rachel Swope to Lawrence Swope,	August 25, 1903
Samuel Wheeler to Lawrence Swope,	April 1, 1809

These properties were in Hopewell Township (now Juniata Township) on the east side of the Raystown Branch of the Juniata and some of them indicate that the heirs sold their share of the estate to Lawrence.

Lawrence Swope, sixth child of Lawrence Swope was born February 14, 1775, died December 21, 1844, married Sarah Greenland, daughter of Moses Greenland who moved from Baltimore County, Maryland to Trough Creek Valley before the close of the 18th century. Sarah Swope died August 23, 1855, aged about 72 years.

Lawrence Swope lived in the Old Stone house on Raystown Branch on a farm which had been improved in 1786 by George Jackson who came from Wilmington, Delaware. Lawrence's children were born and reared in the Old Stone house.

Record of birth of the following children of Lawrence and Sarah Swope is found in the family Bible of their son, Moses:

1. Mary, born January 19, 1801, married Robert Thompson, died in Virginia, aged about 60 years.
2. Caleb, born February 27, 1803, married Ann Dean-died December 24? 1860.
3. Ann, born October 10, 1805, married Daniel Turner, died in Smith Valley, Huntingdon County, November 25, 1855, Descendants live in Virginia
4. David, born August 22, 1809, married Isabel Wright, died July 27, 1873.
5. Moses, born December 2, 1811, married Susan Leach, died March 27, 1883.
6. John, born March 4, 1817, died about 1901 in Fairfield, Iowa.
7. Sarah, born August 17, 1823, married first, Mr. Starr, second, Jacob Hauger, died February 8, 1898 at Shepherdstown, W. Virginia.

Of the above named children Caleb, Ann, David, and Moses were buried in the Baptist Cemetery in Trough Creek Valley.

Children of Caleb Swope, second child of Lawrence Swope:

1. Currance, married William Hudson, died at Cassville, Pennsylvania
2. William L.
3. Ella, married J. C. Micrley
4. Sarah, married A. J. Miller

Record of Family of David Swope, fourth child of Lawrence Swope from record made by A. W. Swope of Mapleton Depot, June 16, 1903.

David Swope married Isabel Wright (daughter of Abraham Writht, whose father John Writht moved from Baltimore Co., Maryland before 1787.) They were united in marriage by Rev. F. E. Thomas, March 4, 1831. To them were born the following children:

1. Sarah Swope, born January 25, 1832, died March 11, 1838.
2. Abram W. Swope, born June 5, 1833, died at Mapleton, Depot, Pa. January 1, 1911.
3. Lawrence, born September 18, 1834, died November 14, 1897.
4. Catherine Swope, born August 5, 1833
5. Harry H., born April 6, 1840
6. Enalino C., born October 2, 1846, died June 18, 1906
7. Mollie C., born January 22, 1850, died December 26, 1893, lived on their farm in Trough Creek Valley and they and their daughters, Sarah and Mollie, are buried in the Baptist Cemetery in Trough Creek Valley.

Record of Family of Moses Swope, fifth child of Lawrence Swope. Dates of birth taken from Moses Swope's family Bible.

Moses Swope married Susan Leach who was born January 4, 1816. She died February 23, 1895.

Moses Swope reared his children on his farm in Trough Creek Valley where about 70 years ago he erected the large homestead that is now occupied by his grandson Denny Swope. Children of Moses Swope were as follows:

1. Amy, born July 4, 1837, married Phillip Hazzard, died at Des Moines, Iowa, December 31, 1909.
2. Alfred, born October 29, 1839, died at Fortress Monroe, Virginia, September 17, 1862.
3. Allison, born October 14, 1841, died in U. S. Army Hospital at Philadelphia, Pa. August 11, 1862.
4. Imon W., born August 28, 1843, married Emma Horton, died at Stillwater, Oklahoma, April 19, 1907.
5. Sarah, born July 17, 1845, married Elijah Chilcoat, died

June 17, 1867.

6. Oliver, born March 9, 1847, married Jennie Glasgow, died at Colfax, Pennsylvania, April 27, 1903.
7. James Franklin, born January 4, 1849, married Isabelle Pheasant.
8. Alvaretta Jane; born November 11, 1851, married Wesley Castner.
9. William Madison, born August 27, 1855, married Isabel Smith, died at Colfax, Pennsylvania, January 17, 1913. Father of Al D. or Denny.

Record of Family of John Swope, seventh child of Lawrence Swope, furnished by Alvah Swope of Mankato, Kansas, former member of the Kansas Legislature, in letter dated June 19, 1910.

John Swope married first, Amy Chilcott of Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania, children:

1. Mrs. Emily Belot, Mankato, Kansas.
2. Mrs. Irene Miller, Montpelier, Idaho.
3. Alvah Swope, Mankato, Kansas.
4. Mrs. Laura Webber, Fairfield, Iowa.
5. Mrs. Mary B. Case, Estherville, Iowa.

Record of some of the descendants of John Swope, first child of Lawrence Swope 1:

The history of Huntingdon County states that John Swope lived in Shirley Township in the vicinity of Knox's Bridge near Mt. Union at an early day and was Road Supervisor of Shirley Township in 1807.

Mrs. Mary Swope Devor 1926, Sixth St., Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, great-granddaughter of John Swope, wrote April 17, 1910 that John Swope had the following sons:

David
John
Isaac

Robert
William
James

Mrs. Devor states that Isaac lived near Mt. Union, Pennsylvania and his sons Millard, who built the wall of this barn and William and daughter Anne live in Hill Valley near Mt. Union.

Mrs. Devor furnished in her letter of April 17, 1910 names of the descendants of her grandfather, David Swope who married Mary Brickley and lived at first near Mt. Union and afterwards for many years lived on a farm near Three Springs, Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania. They were members of the United Brethren Church in Three Springs.

Children were as follows:

1. Elizabeth married Nathan Chilcoat and moved to Illinois, had five children, oldest child, Mary and one other girl and three boys, one named William.

2. John Swope married Maggie Templeton of Orbiconia, Pennsylvania, and had sons, Asbury and David, both deceased and sons James and Edward and daughter Laura live in Buda, Illinois.

3. William E. Swope married Anna Miller of York, Pennsylvania, and had ten children viz:

A. Carl, 626 Boaz St., Harrisburg, Pa.

Mary Ellen Devor, 1926 Sixth St., Harrisburg, Pa.

David Henry, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

William Benson, deceased.

Anna Bare, deceased.

Samuel Penrose, deceased.

Emma Janos, died in infancy.

Mary Elizabeth, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Abram Bion, deceased.

Oscar F. Merchant tailor, 5375 Ellsworth Ave., East End, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

4. Andrew married Margaret S. Clark of Three Springs, Pennsylvania, lived on a farm near Three Springs and after the Civil War moved to Illinois and later to Iowa, and had children named Mary Jane, Cecilia Cambridge, Calvin, Belle Salvina, William and Ella.

5. Elias Swope married Mary Mills of near Three Springs, Pennsylvania. She died in a few months. He afterwards married Catherine Campbell and lived near Three Springs until his death. They had nine children, Howard, Lydia, Andrew (who lives in Hill Valley near Three Springs), Alice, Myrtle, Eldridge, Kate and Eunice.

6. David married Barbara Hoffman of near Three Springs. They had seven children, Jacob, Erastus, Mary Catherine, Barton, George, John and McClellan. David's wife died. He afterwards married a lady in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, and the entire family moved to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where they all died but Barton and Erastus who lives on Long Island, New York.

7. Emily Swope married Samuel Young of Three Springs formerly of Connecticut. They had four children: Henry, Laura (living on Calder and Front St., Harrisburg, Pennsylvania) Frances, and Elizabeth (both living in Canton, Ohio.)

8. Jacob, 81 years old in 1910, married Elizabeth Dever of near Three Springs, Pennsylvania. They had six children, Rollin, Ottenhorn, Rebecca, Jane, James Dever (R. F. D. Shirleysburgh, Pennsylvania) Ellsworth Lincoln, David, Edwin and Mary Amanda.

9. Mary married William Snyers. They had ten children, John, Sylvester, Richard, Ashburg, Annie, Lizzie, Ella, William, Esther and Bertha. Mary Snyers was a widow at 78 years old and lived with her son Ashburg at Three Springs in 1910.

Gilbert E. Swope of Newville, Pa. published in 1898 a history of the Swope family which contains a record of descendants of Yost Swope born 1678 who emigrated from Liemon, Germany in 1720 and settled in Leacock Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.

His children were:

1. Maria	born 1698
2. Anna Christina,	born 1701
3. John Ulrich,	born 1707
4. Jon,	born 1704
5. Anna Elizabeth,	born 1713

A record of 2313 descendants of John Swope born in Leimen, Germany in 1704 is given in this history.

John Swope's sons lived in Lancaster, York, and Adams Counties, Pennsylvania. The name was originally spelled Schwab and the author of the history states that the Schwab family are descendants of the Awabians whose ancestors were the tribe of the Suevi who fought Julius Caesar when he invaded their country with his Roman Legions.

Gilbert E. Swope's history also contains a record of descendants of Rev. Benedict Swope who was a clergyman of the Reformed Church in Baltimore in 1771 and who moved to Kentucky after the Revolutionary War.

He had numerous descendants in Kentucky and the West. A distinguished descendant was Thomas Swope who gave Swope Park to Kansas City.

This history also contains a brief record of Swope families in Lebanon and York Counties, Pennsylvania, who were not related to Yost Swope.

Gilbert E. Swope did not trace the descendants of John Ulrich Swope, but J. J. Swope of Apache, Caddo Co., Okla., wrote on January 1, 1910 from Pineville, W. Va. when he was editor of "The Wyoming Mountaineer" the following interesting letter:

"It is a little perplexing as well as amusing that your family should get lost in 150 miles of the starting point and in the same state.

Yost Swope had two sons, John, born 1704 and John Ulrich Yost (Joseph) born 1707. The latter is my ancestor, while the former is the head of the Pennsylvania branch. The roving blood of the Swabian caused him to cross over into the valley of Virginia and locate at or near what is now Swope's Depot in Augusta Co., Virginia.

Leaving his wife and son--perhaps more--he struck the trail for the west. He crossed the line in Monroe Co. now W. Virginia, which still bears his name, and entered his hatchet right in the Wolf Creek Valley. Whether this was 1750-1 or 2 there is no history, but his son Michael was born in the cabin August 27, 1753. The house is still well preserved. This was the first white child born in Southern W. Virginia so far as we have any history. My grand-father Joseph was captured there by the Shawnees at the age of 5 years in the year 1755 and kept by them until 1764. After getting located his father started to visit his people in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. He was thrown from his horse which fractured his leg at the same place where it was broken before by an Indian bullet.

He died from the effects of the last fracture and where he was buried, I have never been able to learn. On his return from captivity, my grandfather patented the lands located by his father, married Catherine Sullivan, an Irish woman, and raised his family in the same house built by his father. He had four sons, George, Joseph, Jonathan and Adam, besides several daughters.

George died in Clinton County, Ky. Adam at Greenfield, Ind. and Joseph at Elizaville, Ind. The last named at age of 96. Their youngest daughter, Mary married Thomas Casobolt, and their son, Henry of San-Francisco was the inventor of the Cable car, and I learned his grandson was one of the attorneys who prosecuted the grafters in that city.

My father, Jonathan was born January 2, 1784. Lived at the old home place, or his part of it, and died April 5, 1872. Aged 88 years.

Many years ago he traced his grandfather back to Lancaster Co., Pennsylvania and visited the people there. I was born December 28, 1832, when he was 70 years of age-nearly 71, and was in my 15th year when he died. Luckily for us, I remember quite a lot of what he had told me, and enough to connect. I find in Gilbert E. Swope's history names of some whom my father knew, and had business letters with which I read when a boy."

Gilbert E. Swope's history contains the following regarding Peter Swoope who was living in Huntingdon in 1788.

"The Swoope family of Huntingdon descended from Peter Swope, who was a son of John Jacob Swoope of Hallam Township, York County, Pa. Peter was born April 1, 1765; died June 30, 1839. He was apprenticed to the hatting business August 17, 1775. He afterwards removed to Hagerstown, Md. where he married, July 5, 1784, Elizabeth Snyder, who was born December 22, 1768; died July 21, 1851. He subsequently settled in Huntingdon, where his children, ten in number, were born. There he engaged in merchandising and the iron business and accumulated a nice fortune. He was commissioned Captain of Huntingdon County Militia by Governor Mifflin on August 31, 1793. His children were:

1. John Swoope; born July 21, 1786.
2. Mary Swoope; born August 30, 1788.
3. Sarah Swoope; born June 21, 1790.
4. Henry Swoope; born November 18, 1785

5. Samuel Swoope born March 25, 1753
6. Peter Swoope born January 7, 1759.
7. Elizabeth Swoope born March 23, 1801.
8. Joseph Swoope born March 23, 1803
9. Dr. William Swoope born February 13, 1807

Dr. William Swoope died January 13, 1831. He practiced his profession in Huntingdon, Pa. He married---Bucher. They had the following children:

1. Hon. Henry Bucher Swoope, born July 17, 1831. Died February 16, 1874. He practiced Law in Clearfield, Pa. and in 1870 was appointed U. S. Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania. He had the following children: Roland, William, and Janie. The two former are prominent attorneys in Clearfield and Curwensville, Pennsylvania.

2. Caroline E. Swoope, born August 28, 1833. Resides at Alexandria, Pa.

3. Granville P. Swoope, born October 6, 1835. He served through the war of the Rebellion in the Fifth Reg. of Pennsylvania Reserve, and was promoted to a Captaincy for gallant conduct at Gettysburg. He died at Alexandria, Pennsylvania on June 6, 1869.

4. William Conrad Swoope, born August 10, 1838. Died April 21, 1847.

5. George Howard Swoope, born September 29, 1843. Died March 5, 1844.

6. John Porter Swoope, born January 9, 1845.

7. Clara Swoope, born September 1, 1847. Married September 2, 1871 to George S. Ballantyne, M. D., who died at Huntingdon, Pa., July 1891 and had issue.

Yost Swope, son of the Burgomaster of Liemen was the first Swope to arrive in America. He came in 1720 with his wife and five children. The Archives of the Provincial Government of Pennsylvania contain record of a score of Swopes who took the oath of Allegiance at the American Port of Entry between 1727 and 1764. The first census of the United States in 1790 show that there were 26 heads of families named Swope or Schwab in Pennsylvania and Maryland and 14 in other states.

INTERESTING CORRESPONDENCE

of

Mr. George A. Swope

The heart of man is revealed in his private and personal contacts. Individual correspondence reveals true motive and ideals. Following are reproduced letters of an honored and eminent member of the Swope clan. The warmth of kinship and the interest in the clan, manifested in the life of Mr. George A. Swope are here revealed.

2709 State St.,
Little Rock, Ark.,
September 28, 1924

Dear Harper:

I was glad to get your letter of September 1, and was delighted to receive the newspaper account of the Swope reunion. I appreciate your kindness in sending it to me. I regret that I was not able to attend the reunion.

In the latter part of August, I was able to get away four or five days and I accompanied my wife and daughter on a visit to some of Mrs. Swope's relations in Bethel, Ohio, 30 miles east of Cincinnati. Mrs. Swope was born near there. There are several families named Swope living near there. I called on an old gentleman, Fletcher Swope who told me that he was a descendant of George Swope who lived in Hagerstown at an early day, and who had married a daughter of Col. Jonathan Hager, who founded Hagerstown, Maryland. (Hagerstown was laid out as a town in 1752 on land warranted to George Swope by Lord Baltimore in 1739) George Swope was a Justice in Hagerstown, and Mr. Fletcher Swope told me that one of the Swopes in another part of Ohio had the old Court Dockets and he thought some of the dates were as far back as 1770. He also told me that Jessie Hollingsworth of some town in Iowa on the Mississippi River had once written to him for information regarding the early Swopes as it was her intention to write a history of the Swope family but he had not replied to her letters. She had formerly lived at Bainbridge, Ohio and she had the old "Dutch" Bible of the family which she intended to deposit among the State archives in Columbus. This Bible I understand was very ancient and the owner had some difficulty in getting it translated on account of the very old style of German.

I noticed in the history of the Swope family by Gilbert E. Swope that Yost Swope's family also had an old German Bible with the family record in it, and it was destroyed by fire when the residence of one of his descendants was burned in 1895. This Bible was printed in Heidelberg in 1620.

Since I came home, I wrote to Fletcher Swope and asked him if he had succeeded in recollecting where Jessie Hollingsworth lived, but have not had a reply. I have experienced considerable difficulty in getting Swope families to reply to letters of inquiry.

In Gilbert E. Swope's history, I noticed that Col. Michael Swope of York, Pa. had bought lots when the town was laid out in 1741 and that he had children by his first wife but the author could not trace them. He also had children by his second wife, some of whom are mentioned in the history. I find in Daughters of American Revolution publications in the Little Rock Library that Mrs. Sarah Angell, wife of Dr. James B. Angell was a descendant of a daughter of Col. Michael Swope by his second wife. Dr. Angell was formerly U. S. Minister to Turkey and was once President of Michigan University. In your work you come in contact with the great educators of the country and you may be able to learn, if you will kindly do so, where Mrs. Angell lives now if still living. She may know who Michael Swope's children were by his first wife.

All the Swope families appear to trace their ancestors back to Hagerstown, York, and Lancaster Co., Pennsylvania. It is possible that Lawrence I was born near York or Hagerstown.

Who is Rev. H. G. Swope of Elmore, Ohio who speaks at the reunion?

The thought has occurred to me that by tracing back the ancestry of the various Swope families we meet, we may be able to find a family that had a Lawrence in it.

Do you remember the old photograph that hung in grandfather Swope's parlor of the farm house of grandfather's cousin near Fremont, Ohio? Did they not have the names of Thomas and David written underneath the pictures? You may remember hearing some of the family telling about these cousins visiting grandfather in the Centennial Year 1876.

In your position of Secretary of the Swope reunion Association, you may be able to get some helpful information. I hope that I may have the pleasure of attending one of the reunions and also hope that I may have you visit us again when you are in the South-west. Hoping to hear from you soon again and with kindest regards, I am

Yours very truly,

George A. Swope

2709 State St.;
Little Rock, Ark.,
January 21, 1925

Dear Harper:

I was very glad to receive your letter of December 20th.

I have been very busy for three months or more and have not had time to do much letter writing. I received a reply to my letter to Mr. Fletcher Swope, of Bethel, Ohio. He wrote to me that the owner of the old German Bible was Mrs. Jessie Hollingsworth, 702 Maple St. Des Moines, Iowa. I wrote to Mrs. Hollingsworth three months ago but did not receive a reply. I then wrote to cousin Rose Hazard Meyer, 621 8th Ave., Council Bluffs, Iowa and inquired for the address of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Margaret Hazard who lives in Des Moines. Cousins Rose and Olive, and Mrs. Margaret Hazard all visited Mother and Emma, my sister in Monrovia, California last summer.

I wished to get Mrs. Hazard's address in order that I might write her to learn if Mrs. Hollingsworth still lived at the above address. Cousin Rose replied that Margaret Hazard's address was Des Moines, Iowa but cousin Rose also wrote me that she expected to go to Des Moines and would look Mrs. Hollingsworth up if she still lived in Des Moines. Cousin Rose wrote me that she expected to be in Des Moines the latter part of this month and would look up Mrs. Hollingsworth. Hope she is successful.

I wrote also to J. J. Swope, Apache Comanche Co., Oklahoma for some further information regarding the Virginia Swopes but my letter was returned unclaimed. I also wrote to Miss Swope, Librarian University of Pittsburgh, daughter of Dr. Swope of Pittsburgh, but I have not received a reply to my letter. You wrote me about a year ago that Dr. Swope was born in Fulton County, Pennsylvania. I wished to learn from his daughter if their family had not originated in Hagerstown and thought I might get the names of some of the early members of their family.

I think Hagerstown is where we want to make further investigation and I am trying to trace the Swope families who originated there in the hope that we may find an item that will be helpful. If you should get the opportunity while you are in Pittsburgh, May I suggest that you try to learn who the ancestors of Dr. Swope are.

I think I wrote you once that the First Census of the U. S. gave the names of the heads of several Swope families in Pennsylvania and Maryland in 1790. If these names would be helpful to you, I shall be glad to give you a list of them.

I had a long letter from Aunt Allie in the Fall. She will probably not write again for a long time.

Mother and Emma are still living in Oklahoma and Harry is somewhere in Kansas traveling around working in oil leases for a large Oil Company of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Hope you are well and prosperous. How is your father getting along?

Hope to hear from you soon. With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

George A. Swope

2709 State St.,
Little Rock, Ark.,
November 11, 1925

Dear Harper:

I should have answered your letter of July 30th long ago but I have been very busy for over two months on account of the cotton season starting earlier than usual. A very large cotton crop was raised in Arkansas which greatly increased carload shipments of cotton and cotton seed.

I have not had time to do anything for quite a while in the way of tracing the Swope ancestry. It is also a difficult matter to get replies to letters.

I wrote to Miss Blanche A. Swope care of the University of Pittsburgh over a year ago and received a reply dated June 14th in which she stated that her father's ancestors had emigrated from Holland and that there were 12 brothers. Her father's ancestor lived at Sipes Mill, Fulton County and that the old farm in Fulton County was a revolutionary grant to the Swope. She also said she intended to get in touch with you and find out how the genealogy was progressing. I wrote her on August 17th and inquired if one of the 12 brothers was named Lawrence, but I have not yet received a reply.

The thought occurs to me why the Revolutionary grant to one of her ancestors, he probably saw service in the Revolutionary War and if so, was in a grant to Col. Michael Swope of York,

I finally learned from Fletcher Swope of Bethel, Ohio that Mrs. Jessie Hollingsworth, who owned the Swope Bible lived in Des Moines, Iowa. I wrote to her but did not get a reply. Our cousin, Mrs. Moyer who lives in Council Bluffs wrote to me last Fall that she intended to go to Des Moines during the winter and would try to locate Mrs. Hollingsworth, but I have not heard anything further from our cousin.

It is discouraging when we do not get replies to our inquiries. I do not know what to do next. I think that the records we would want would not be found in Hagerstown as Lawrence Swope probably left Maryland while Frederic was still the county seat.

The only records that would throw any light on the early Swope history would be records of deeds or assessment lists. I enclose a newspaper account of the genealogy of a Southern family in which mention is made of the Swope family of Rockingham County, Virginia of Colonial days.

I forgot to mention that Miss Blanche A. Swope's address was 4629 Bayard Street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

I wonder what branch of the family Herbert Bayard Swope, editor of the New York World is descended from, also the President of the General Electric Company of Schenectady?

Did your father make the trip he contemplated to Des Moines? I should like to see your father again and also your brothers and sisters and yourself. I cannot say as yet whether I will be able to attend the next reunion. It would give me great pleasure to attend.

Do not wait as long as I did to reply.

With best wishes
Yours sincerely,

George A. Swope.

P. S. Several months ago I read an account of Charles M. Schwab, the Steel Magnate attending the Cambria County Fair and stating to a reporter that his ancestors had settled in Cambria County over 125 years ago. I wonder if he is not a descendant of George Schwab who is shown in the Census of 1790 as living in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania with two sons under 16 years old. If I had the time, I should like to run down some of the ancestors of the different Swope families. It might help us in our search.

G. A. S.

2709 State St.,
Little Rock, Ark.,
Sept. 3, 1928

Dear Harper:

This is a holiday on the railroad, Labor Day, and I shall take advantage of the holiday to look after my correspondence.

I have not heard from you for a long time. In the last letter you mentioned something about publishing the Swope Chronicles that have been collected. Did you ever take any further action or did you get an opportunity to see Miss Swope at the University of Pittsburgh regarding the Fulton County Swopes? I remember Harrison Swope of Mapleton once said something about Fulton County in a letter I received from him.

Are you still traveling extensively? Hope you will get down to Arkansas again and come to see us.

We had a short visit from Cousin Ernest Swope and family of Beaumont, Texas last month. They spent their vacation in the Ozarks and stopped in Little Rock on their way home. We were so glad to see some of the Swopes again. Ernest's wife was a Huntington girl and I heard of some old Huntington friends. I was in hope that your sister Mabel would come to see us this summer. She wrote last summer that she might come this way this year.

I have not taken a vacation this year. Minnie has not been well and does not feel like traveling. My daughter, Mildred spent her vacation in Galveston and Houston, Texas.

Harper, I shall be very glad to hear from you. Your letters are always welcome.

With best wishes,
C. A. Swope.

2709 State St.,
Little Rock, Ark.,
July 14, 1930

Dear Harper:

Your letter of June 22nd was the first information I received of Aunt Allie's death. I have since received a letter from mother that Denny Swope and wife had recently visited her in California and told her of Aunt Allie's death. Aunt Allie had written to me to come and see her but my wife had been in ill health for several years and I have not been taking any long journeys. My brother Harry was here to see me about three weeks ago. I had not seen him for four years. Mother's health has improved and she lives with my sister Emma in Monrovia, California.

I wrote to Aunt Isabel Swope in Huntingdon some time ago and inquired if she remembered the picture that hung in grandfather Swope's house of the Ohio farm house of grandfather's cousin who visited him Centennial year 1876. It was my recollection that this picture also had in one corner a photograph of one or two of the Ohio Swope's with their names and ages. Cousin May replied to my letter and said she remembered the picture which her mother had given to your brother Chester when she sold her household goods. May did not remember any dates on the picture but her mother told her that it was Thomas Swope and his daughter Maggie who visited grandfather in 1876. Do you remember if any names or dates were on the old picture?

Miss Blanche Swope of Pittsburgh wrote to me giving a list of children of John Swope, oldest son of Lawrence I. Mrs. Mary Swope Devor of Harrisburg, Pa. you may remember furnished a partial list of some of John Swope's descendants in 1910. Miss Swope made a trip to Bedford and obtained information from the Bedford County records that John Swope died in Wells Valley in 1820, which explains why no record exists in Huntingdon County of his will. He evidently moved from Shirley Township after 1807, leaving some of his children in Hill Valley or near Mt. Union. Lawrence I sold his farm

in Shirley Township to James Carmichael. I wonder if the Huntingdon County Records show the location of James Carmichael's farm. I am inclined to believe that it was one of the Dr. Smith's tracts near the mouth of the Aughwick or on the Aughwick near Shirleyburg.

Gilbert M. Swope's history states that Rev. Benedict Swope died March 30, 1821. Age 73 years 6 months, born 1752 near York, Pa. He was an ordained minister of the Reformed Church at Baltimore 1770,

In your letter of January 26th, you mentioned that the York County records showed a deed from George Swope to Benedict Swope on December 2, 1753. Also, a record of a deed from Johannes George Swope on December 12, 1753. Johann George Schaub arrived in America on September 21, 1737. Albert Swope came on the same ship. Lawrence I who died in 1794 was probably older than Benedict. I sometimes think that they might have been brothers, sons of either Johann George or of John Ulrich who was thirteen years old when he came to America in 1720 with his father Yost and brother John, born in 1704. John Ulrich, you may remember, went to Virginia where a son Michael was born in 1753. John Ulrich was then 43 years old. Is it not probable that he had other children born in Pennsylvania long before 1753?

In regard to printing the records of the Swope family, we have much to do yet to get record of all the branches of the family who are descendants of Lawrence I and a great deal of time and correspondence would be involved.

In 1939 a distant cousin in Sarton, Pa. compiled a Horton Genealogy and History of 242 pages which was sold for \$1.00 plus 10 cents postage, size 8" X 8" with flexible cover. He drew on an older history for some of his material and a vast amount of correspondence was necessary to get his data together. He was a retired principal of the schools of Youngstown, Ohio and had the time to devote to the work which was a labor of love and friendship and I inferred from a questionnaire that he sent me that he did not believe that the amount he charged for his book would pay the expense of publishing it.

Something might be done on a smaller scale if any one of our clan had the time to get the material together for the publisher.

I regret exceedingly that I cannot be with you at the reunion in Washington on July 26th. I sincerely hope that the attendance at the reunion will be large. It will be an occasion for renewing old friendships and forming new ones which I am sorry to miss.

I am very sorry that I have nothing new to contribute to the Swope early history, but I have not had time to follow up the various clues.

I hope that I may have the pleasure of hearing from you after you have attended the reunion. It will be interesting to know what a good time "you all" had and I know that all who attend will enjoy the event.

With best wishes;
Sincerely yours,

G. A. Swope

2700 State St.,
Little Rock, Ark.,
July 19, 1931

Dear Harper:

I was glad to get your letter of June 24th. I have delayed answering your letter as my wife has been sick in bed for nearly three weeks. She is getting better now. I received the card announcing the Swope reunion at McConnellsburg. I regret that I cannot attend. Hope that you will have a grand time and a good warm out of the Swope clans. I had a letter from Miss Blanche Swope not long ago and I wrote to May Swope Bergharts for some information from the Huntington County records. Hope that cousin May will send it soon. Had a letter from Harry a few days ago. He has been in ill health for several months.

The information in regard to Lawrence Swope I, coming from Germany was collected by Ernest Swope from a statement written by A. W. Swope, Napoleon, June 16, 1908, and reads, "My grandfather on my father's side was Scotch-Irish and was married in Germany and moved to this country in the latter part of the eighteenth century. The statement that he was Scotch-Irish is highly improbable. Ernest Swope told me about four years ago that he had met a man a few years ago from England who told him there was a town on the Scotch Coast named Swope. In the record of the German immigrants landed in America and who took the Oath of Allegiance we find, "June 18, 1780 Brig Mary from London Peter Schweb." All the other Swopes appear to have come to America from the Port of Rotterdam.

Since there is no record of the arrival of Lawrence I conclude that if Lawrence was born in Germany, he came over with his parents and was too young to take the Oath of Allegiance.

Rev. Benedict Swope came to America in 1727 and lived at York. You wrote me months ago that there was a record of a deed at York, Pa. from George Swope to Benedict Swope in 1753.

Hope that we may arrive at the correct solution some time.

With best wishes,
Sincerely,

G. A. Swope.

2709 State St.,
Little Rock, Ark.,
September 21, 1930

Dear Harper:

I thank you for the clipping giving an account of the Swope reunion at Altavista Park. I note the reunion was held near Alexandria. I thought the park was at Huntingdon.

Is Rev. H. B. Swope of Harrisburg a son of Will Swope of Trough Creek Valley? I suppose Ross H. Swope of Harrisburg is related to Rev. H. B. Swope. You asked me if I thought Lawrence I was a descendant of John Ulrich Swope. My reason for thinking that he is a descendant of John Ulrich is based on information furnished by J. J. Swope of Pineville, W. Va., that his grandfather Michael was born in Virginia in 1758 and was a son of John Ulrich who was born in Augusta County, Va. John Ulrich was born in 1717 and came to America in 1720 with his father. He must have lived in Lancaster County and might have reared a part of his family in Lancaster County before he went to Virginia.

Perhaps Michael was a son by a second wife. J. J. Swope stated in one of his letters that John Ulrich Swope visited his grandfather in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania after he had settled in Virginia and was thrown from his horse and died from his injuries. The records of Augusta County, Va. show that in 1788 Mary Swope or Swope was administrator of the Swope estate.

The Lancaster County, Pennsylvania records might contain some reference to the family of John Ulrich. We know they contain information concerning John Swope, brother of John Ulrich. On the other hand Lawrence I might have been a son of Hans George Swope (Schwab) who came to America in 1737 and settled in York. On the same ship came Albert Swope. Grandmother Swope told me in 1892 that there were two Swopes not related who came to America on the same ship. Lawrence I who died in 1794, might easily have been the son of John Ulrich or Hans George.

Enclosed you will find a clipping from today's Little Rock Daily regarding "Star Stuff". More reference is made to Miss Henrietta Swope of Harvard College Observatory, do you know who she is?

My brother Harry was here this week and spent the night with us. He was much interested in the newspaper clipping of the Swope reunion.

We have had an unprecedented drought this summer. My wife's health has improved some but she is not well yet.

Hope that some of the Swopes may succeed in running down the Swope ancestry.

I am always glad to hear from you.

Sincerely,
George A. Swope.

2700 State St.,
Little Rock, Ark.,
October 12, 1932

Dear Harper:

Many thanks for the newspaper clipping containing an account of the fire reunion. I agree with you that there are some inaccuracies. Lawrence Swope was born in 1775 and not in 1785 as stated in the paper. I think there was a Lawrence Swope in Philadelphia in 1780 and also one in Huntington County. Some interesting information however was contained in the clipping and enables us to establish the place where Lawrence Swope lived after he came from Maryland. The paper stated that the farm which Lawrence Swope sold to James Cannonball had been contracted between Swope and Dr. William Smith in September 1, 1790 and that Dr. Smith had bought the property consisting of 150 acres from John Owings of Dublin Township on April 5, 1789.

I referred to W. Simpson Lincoln's History of Huntington County and found in the appendices list for Dublin Township for 1788 (then a part of Litchfield Co.) the following: "Owen John, sr. 150 acres, 6 acres cleared 1 horse, 1 cow." A foot note stated that Owens lived on Aughwick Creek near Indian Mills, now Shirley Township at the foot of Owens Ridge. This definitely established Lawrence Swope's first place of residence in Huntington County. I well remember passing through Indian Mills many times when I was a boy. It is between Shirleyburg and Mount Union. The site of old Fort Shirley built during the French and Indian War on the stockade erected by the Indian trader, George Crogan about 1762, was not more than 4 or 5 miles away.

Mildred and I went up to Spillwater, Ohio, in the latter part of August to visit my brother, Harry. The Oklahoma A & M College is located there and has grown to be a large college. Harry came down to Hot Springs about a month ago to take the baths. He has not been well for a long time. He went back home and came again last Sunday, and went over to Hot Springs today. Mildred and I went over to Hot Springs a couple times to see him when he was there. We enjoyed his visit with us.

Hope sometime to get back to the familiar scenes of my boyhood days in Pennsylvania.

I am always glad to hear from you.

Sincerely,

G. A. Swope.

Facts Established By George A. Swope's Letters

George A. Swope of Little Rock, Arkansas has established that the first place of residence of Lawrence Swope I, in the present county of Huntington, was on Aughwick Creek at the foot of Owings Ridge near Aughwick Mills now Shirley Township. Lawrence Swope I moved here from Washington County, Maryland.

From J. Simpson Africa's History of Huntington County:

Assessment list for Dublin, Township for year 1755, (then a part of Cumberland County.)

"Owens John, Sr. 150 acres, 8 acres cleared, 1 horse, 1 cow."

A foot note states that Owens "lived on Aughwick Creek near Aughwick Mills, now Shirley Township at the foot of Owens Ridge."

Dr. William Smith of Philadelphia bought 150 acres of land from John Owings of Dublin Township on April 5, 1759. September 6, 1770 Dr. William Smith sold this land to Lawrence Swope who sold it to James Carmichael.

"Lawrence Swope I of Washington County, Maryland" is mentioned in a deed recorded in Bedford, Pa. His wife Ann made her M in signing the deed. This part established by Harper H. Swope who reviewed the records in Bedford County.

April 13, 1784 Lawrence Swope I sold lands to William Estop in Trough Creek Valley and planned to move to what is known since as the "Old Swope Place" in Raystown Branch (Juniata Township). But before moving, Lawrence I died in Trough Creek in 1794 and was buried at the Sheridan School House burial ground. But his wife Ann and her children did move to The Old Swope Place, The Old Stone House on Raystown Branch.

Lawrence Swope I left 6 children:

David Swope
Lawrence Swope
Catherine Swope
Elizabeth Swope
May Swope
Susannah Swope
Rachel Swope

July 17, 1773 Lawrence Swope I was appointed road viewer and lived in Dublin Township, Bedford County, now Shirley Township, Huntingdon County.

Lawrence Swope II, eldest child of Lawrence Swope I was born February 14, 1775. He fell dead in a blacksmith shop at Cassville on December 21, 1841. He is buried in the Old School Baptist Cemetery in Trough Creek Valley. His grave is plainly marked with a marble tombstone erected about a century ago. He married Sarah Greenland, daughter of Moses Greenland who moved from Baltimore County, Maryland to Trough Creek Valley.

Lawrence II had the following children:

John	who moved to Fairfield, Iowa.
David	who lived and died in Trough Creek Valley.
Moses	who lived and died in Trough Creek Valley. on the farm now to David's farm.
Caleb	a school teacher who lived in Trough Creek.
Sarah	who married Mr. Starr, then Mr. Hauger.
Mary	who married Robert Thompson.
Ann	who married Daniel Turner.

A note given to me some years ago by Miss Blanch A. Swope says:

"Lawrence Swope emigrated from York, Pennsylvania to Hagerstown, Maryland and then to Central Pennsylvania.

Yost Swope came to America in 1730 and settled in Upper Leacock Township, Lancaster County according to Dr. Gilbert E. Swope's history. He was mayor of the town of Lichen, Duchy of Baden in Swabia.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

The following miscellaneous letters reveal facts of interest; and we submit them both for this purpose and to bring before our readers the names and personalities of many of our people who are interested in preserving Swope history.

NOTE

Swope

A gentleman employed in recorder's office in York, Pennsylvania Court House, whose father wrote History of York County suggested that we consult the records of an ancient German Church, the Heltzschwan Church in Paradise Township near Spring Grove, York County, Pennsylvania for records of births and deaths. It is a Lutheran Reformed Church and he thought the pastor might have the ancient records.

Miss Cline, the Librarian of the York County Historical Society charges a fee of \$5.00 for searching the records and making a report.

Lawrence Swope I emigrated from York, Pennsylvania to Hagerstown, Maryland. Prior to 1767 came up to Pennsylvania in Bedford County. Moved to Ohio, but returned to Pennsylvania to die. Died in 1791.

5303 Camp St.,
Pittsburgh, Pa.
September 2, 1911

Mrs. B. McK. Swope,
Newville, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs. Swope:

You will probably remember me as
a fellow who saw you one evening in 1906 relative to
the history of the Swope family written by your
husband, Gilbert E. Swope. Do you know of any
copies of his book for sale, and what would be the
cost? Could you furnish me some copies of the
Swope coat of arms done in separate sheets and at
about what cost?

If this letter reaches you and
I hope it does reach you and wishes you in good
health, I would greatly appreciate your reply at
your early convenience.

Very truly yours,
H. E. Swope

Yes indeed Mr. Swope I remember you well. I
have been away from home since the 21st of July. I
do not have any of the Swope History for
sale, but I can furnish you with the Coat of Arms
at \$1.25 per copy.

I am on an island near Portland now. On the
12th I will go to Lake Placid, New York to Mr.
John Y. Boyd, and will be there until October 16th.
After that to Newville where I can get at my
crests. I will be glad to furnish you with copies.

Sincerely,

Belle McK. Swope

Pittsburgh, Pa.
August 11, 1930

Mr. Harper E. Swope,
5308 Camp St.,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

My dear Harper:

I have just this minute finished typing a copy of your valuable paper and hurry to return it to you with my grateful thanks. It contains several choice bits about my own line in the letter quoted there from Mrs. Mary Swope Devere, a sister of my father, both of whom are now dead. I have added this to my outline.

In it I also found several items to which I shall give some attention as my earliest opportunity. I was much interested with the comments of J. J. Swope of Apache, Okla. and criticizing Gilbert H. Swope for being dissatisfied with the conclusion of his own immediate line only instead of trying to connect up the descendants of him or the ancestor of Yoss Swope. I believe that there are still more many possibilities of making things which will please somebody anyway, it not the thing I want myself.

Well I am rather sleepy and will have to run along to bed as I have a hard day's work ahead of me tomorrow. I wish we were close enough to put our heads together. Don't you ever come this way?

Again thanking you for your kindness,

Yours very truly,

Ross H. Swope

June 30, 1942

Mr. Hanger, P. Swoppe,
1303 Oak Street,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Mr. Swoppe:

I surely ask your indulgence for my delay in replying to your letter received some time ago. The inclosures are partly completed. I am sure you have practically everything I am sending to you.

Thank you for the date of the Swoppe family reunion. I am going to try to make my plans to see you then.

Sincerely yours,

W. M. Miller

WMM/SJM

PURDUE UNIVERSITY

Lafayette, Indiana

Department of Education

June 23, 1931

Professor W. E. Swope,
School of Agriculture & Forestry,
The Pennsylvania State College,
State College, Pennsylvania.

Dear Professor Swope:

I was pleased to receive a letter from you a few days ago concerning the family history. I am not sure that my contribution will be of any great service to you. Nevertheless I shall make the effort.

My great grandfather, whose name was Matthias Swope moved from Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, to a farm settlement southwest of Dayton, Ohio, approximately eighty-two years of age. He had two brothers, Frederick and George. My grandfather had five children--two sons, William and Arthur, now deceased, and Alfred living in Dayton, Ohio, and three daughters, Anna Mary, Susan, Ohio, and Bora Libbey, and Ellen Ellough, all living, Ohio.

I have found since coming to Indiana that there are a great many families that have throughout this section of the country, although I do not know the lineage of any of them. A family history, with which you may be familiar but with which I have no familiarity, was published about twenty-five years ago. I know of one copy only that is available, but I have not seen it.

I have been interested in knowing the lineage of Gerald Swope, President of the General Electric Company and wonder if you could furnish any information concerning him.

My entire family is of the same lineage, I am a
mechanic. My brother at the present time is a
garage owner and mechanic in the city of Dayton,
Ohio. The majority of the men have been mechanic
workers. I myself have been in the same line of
work. I have more or less of the same kind of
the type of work which is done in the city of Dayton
concerning the A. H. H. report to the State
Springer.

I hope I shall hear from you further and we
shall have the opportunity to meet at some time
in the near future. I shall be glad to assist
you in any way in securing further information.

Yours very truly,

Amos Swope
Associate Professor
of Trade and
Industrial Education.

General Delivery
Lexington, Kentucky,
February 11, 1933

Dear Miss Blanche:

Today I was in Frankfort, Kentucky and want to make a report. Kentucky was formed from Virginia in 1792. It consisted of three Virginia counties prior to that time and most of the records prior to 1792 are in the State Historical Society of Kentucky, Frankfort, Kentucky. It is a very live and interesting place occupying the entire old Capital Building. If you at any time wish further information, write to them there in care of Mrs. J. T. Cannon or Miss Vischer. Make questions definite and give all the information you can. They charge two dollars for a thorough search of records. I could not take the time nor did I have the skill to make a careful search. I did find the following:

Records of Rev. Adam Rankin and Rev. John Rankin but no Hugh Rankin. The Kaykendall family is a rather large and influential family of Kentucky. Some of them live at Henderson, Kentucky. Bonedist Swope was a member of the convention that drew up state constitution of Kentucky at Danville in 1792. He was from Lincoln County and is mentioned many times in the state history.

If there is anything more I can do please write me at once at General Delivery, Lexington, Kentucky. I shall leave there about Thursday or Friday. The Swope family is rather numerous in Louisville and Lexington and they are influential and wealthy for the most part.

With kind regards, I am
Sincerely yours,

H. E. Swope

My dear Mr. Swope:

Your letter came this morning. I have borrowed Mrs. Mattenson's book on the Swope History but it doesn't help much because we don't know the great-great grandfather's name. The only information we have is that Robert had a brother or half-brother, William who married Mrs. Cleavinger. I have written to several people.

Did you receive a letter from a solicitor at the White Plains Court House back in 1916, 1917, 1918? We did but it went into the waste basket and now we would like the information.

I should like to go over all your material if I may. Mother and I are home every evening and our telephone is Hiland 1776. We should be glad to talk it over with you. Mother is great on geneology and remembering what she has heard.

The William Swope, who has an automobile agency on Penn. Ave. comes from Altoona and looks like my father's sister but do not have any idea of the connection nor did he the other day when I went in to look him over.

Richland Lane is a short street on the right hand side of Penn Ave. going east between Carnegie Place and Braddock Ave. Has brick pillars at the entrance. We are the last house on the left.

Sincerely yours,

Blanche A. Swope
525 Richland Lane
Pittsburgh, Pa.

The reason I am giving you the way to find us is that your material is too valuable to trust to the mails.

RARE GERMAN BIBLE

It became known to the collectors of the data here recorded that an ancient copy of God's Word printed in the German language, and bearing family records also in German, was in possession of Mrs. Jessie Swope Hollingsworth of Des Moines, Iowa. After considerable correspondence, H.E. Swope obtained temporary possession of the rare Book and in March 1944 had the German notations translated into English by Dr. J. F. L. Raschun, professor of languages at the University of Pittsburgh. The following two pages of facts are the result:

(Facing and
(following
(the end of
(the index:

THE/ MEMORY OF THE JUST,/ drawn/ from the/
brief biography of the sainted/
MR.MARTIN LUTHER/Doctor of the Holy Scriptures

(Title page of
(The New Testa-
(ment:

THE NEW TESTAMENT of our Lord and Savior Jesus
Christ, put into German by D. Martin Luther.
Together with his prefaces and also his most
essential parallel references, also the div-
isions of chapters at the head by D. Johann
Saubert, and the useful application added
to each chapter by D. Salomon Glass.

(Small print:

Together with certain indications of Epistles
and Gospels for Sun- and Holidays./ The be-
ginning of each epistle and gospel is shown
by title in the margin, its end is indicated
by this sign:

(Printed) with the permission of the King of
Poland, Elector of Saxony.

(In writing:) printed A. D. 1716.

(In writing:

My sainted, departed mother, named Loyer,
born in 1718, died in 1765 (1766?).
Her father was Johann Peter Loyer, died in
Germany, in the village of Brombach; he was
aged 47 yrs. 11 months.

(At the top;
in writing:

This Holy Bible was left to me by my father 1795?
Georg Schwob who was born Oct. 5, A. D. 1795;
died Mar. 30, 1780 who had received it from
his father, Johann Georg Schwob (my father
attained the age of 75 years, 5 months, 25
days.)

I therefore leave it to my (?) heirs
after my demise. - May God, the Almighty,
grant them grace to read and follow and keep
this spiritual work for their eternal sal-
vation in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

(Facing the Frontis-
page. In writing:-

I, Nicolaus Schwob was born in the year after Christ 1752,
(??) Dec. (1752),
married Dec. 6; 1774 to Anna Maria Hager who came in-
to the world A. D. 1757, Dec. 12.

Dec. 23, 1775, my daughter Maria Catharina was born, Monday
evening at ten o'clock.
Dec. 17, 1778, my daughter Elisabeth was born.
Oct. 14, 1780, my daughter Anna Catharina was born.
Oct. 13, 1782, my daughter Anna Debora (?) was born in the
sign of Capricorn.
May 29, 1785, my daughter Eva Regina was born. Sunday Eve-
ning.
Oct. 14, 1787, my son Johann Jacob came into the world, on
a Tuesday morning, in the sign of Pisces.
Jan. 28, 1792, my son Johann Heinrich came into the world
in the sign of Aries. Carolus' (?) day is his birth-
day.
May 5, 1794, my daughter Susanna was born in the sign of
Cancer. Her birthday fell on (?) day.
Jan. 24, 1796, my son Johannes was born. Sunday in the sign
of Leo. His birthday fell on (?) day.
Jan. 16, 1798, my son Nicolaus was born. Christened Feb.
10.
Apl. 1, 1800, my daughter Hann^a was born.
Jan. 25, 1814, my daughter Hanna died; age 13 yrs., 9 mos.,
3 wks., 5 days.
Mar. 30, 1825, my daughter Catharina died; age 40 yrs., 5
mos., 2 wks., and 2 (?) days.
Dec. 7, 1816, my daughter Eva Regina died; age 31 yrs., 7
mos., 13 days.
Feb. 1, 1818, my son Jacob died; age 28 yrs., 2 mos., 7
days.

No date, but

written op-

posite Jan, 28

1792: My daughter Elisabeth died in the 32nd year of her age.

Opposite

date of

Jan 24,

1796: My son Johann died Dec. 21, 1813; age 17 yrs., 11 months

Note:

that (?) indicates illegible Writing.

REVOLUTIONARY WAR MARKER

Every American war has been a war of victory; and every American force of armed combat has had a representation in the Swope name. The following self-explanatory data are of peculiar Huntingdon County interest.

On November 15, 1938 a granite marker was erected at the grave of Lawrence Swope I at the old Sheridan School House burial ground in Trough Creek Valley. He was a Revolutionary War soldier. Lawrence Swope I, or Lawrence Swope, Sr. was born in 1742, and died in 1794.

THE "QUESTIONNAIRE"

WHAT'S YOUR NAME?-----

WHERE ARE YOU FROM?-----

WHO WERE YOUR PARENTS?-----

ETC,-----

A collection of such facts together with any facts of general interest are the foundation of history. The following has been sent broadcast and has yielded price loss information, which, will, we trust, be incorporated in true book form.

ARE YOU A SWOPE

Please fill in the blanks now and hand to secretary before leaving.

Your name..... Date of Birth..... Birth place.....

Name of your wife or husband..... Date of Birth..... Birth place.....

Your Swope ancestry as far back as you know it.

Your (Swope Parent..... Date of Birth..... Birth place.....

Death..... Burial Place.....

Your other Parent..... Date of Birth..... Birth place.....

Death..... Burial Place.....

Your Swope Grandparent..... Date of Birth..... Birth place.....

Death..... Burial Place.....

Your other Grandparent..... Date of Birth..... Birth place.....

Death..... Burial Place.....

Your Swope Great-Grandparent..... Date of Birth..... Birth place.....

Death..... Burial Place.....

Give the names of your own brothers and sisters, the year of birth, name of wife or husband, and the number of their children, if any:

Name	Year of Birth	Husband or wife	Number of Children
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.....

"Octogenarian"

A Characteristic Swope

From a Pittsburgh newspaper of 1943:

If it's true that a man is just as old as he feels, then 83 year old Oscar R. Swope, an Oakmont tailor, is a very young man.

For in addition to working 10 to 12 hours a day in his shop at 326 Allegheny River Boulevard, Mr. Swope drives his own delivery truck, sings bass in the choir of the Oakmont Methodist Church and leads the singing at Oakmont Rotary Club meetings.

Born in Harrisburg in 1860, the genial tailor opened a shop at Wood Street and Fourth Avenue in Pittsburgh in 1895. He remained at that location for 35 years before moving to his Oakmont shop.

"In 1887--that was the year I got married--I was employed by Charles Lloyd in Pittsburgh. I made coats for Charles and Harry Schwab and George Westinghouse," he explained.

And the deft fingers which made him one of the best cutters and designers at the time, still move with speed and sureness.

Father of three children, Mr. Swope made it his policy never to raise his voice to them.

"I used to say 'sst' and they'd stop whatever they were doing," he explained.

The younger generation is the "best ever" according to Mr. Swope, who adds, "They are a lot faster though. Why it took me four months to get my arm around a girl."

But even though they used a horse and buggy back in the 1880's instead of an automobile, it didn't cramp their style much, recalled Mr. Swope.

"Once while I was courting my wife, (the late Jennie Roup Swope), I borrowed a team from an undertaker," he said. "I guess we must have been sparking, when suddenly the horses stopped, we opened our eyes, there we were, right in the middle of Homewood Cemetery."

Quite modern in his ideas, Mr. Swope thinks the high school crowd's style of dancing is perfectly all right.

"Why, I think I'd be a jitterbug myself if I had the chance," he said, his blue eyes twinkling.

And, according to his daughter, Joan Mr. Swope can dance the polka better than most youngsters.

"Life is much easier for young men who are learning a trade nowadays," declared Mr. Swope. "When I started my apprenticeship in Harrisburg, I worked for six months without receiving any pay. For the next six months I got 50 cents a week, and at the end of three years I was making \$6 a week.

"And I didn't work a 40-hour week," he recalled. "I worked from 7 A. M. until 10 P. M. Monday through Saturday, and never lost a day's work in those three years."

And Mr. Swope is keeping up his old record, for he never loses a day's work through illness and never takes time off for vacations.

He begins work at 7 A. M. every day, and seldom stops before 10:30. Every Thursday night he goes to choir practice and afterwards entertains a few friends at his home.

Mr. Swope lives moderately and attributes his good health and spryness to the fact that he came from "hardy Pennsylvania stock."

REUNIONS

"SHOULD AULD ACQUAINTANCE BE FORGOT---?"

LET US PLAN LOCAL AND GENERAL REUNIONS, AND CEMENT THE CORDIAL RELATION THAT HAS EXISTED AMONG OUR PEOPLE THROUGH THE CENTURIES.

The first annual reunion of the Swope Family in Central Pennsylvania was held at the residence of Mrs. Isabella Swope, Colfax, Pa. on August 15, 1923.

The second reunion of the Swope family was held Saturday, August 16, 1925 at the residence of Al D. Swope at Colfax, Pennsylvania. This homestead has been occupied by the Swope family for more than one hundred years. Al D. Swope who dwells there now is a great-great grandson of Lawrence Swope I who settled in what is now Huntingdon County in the year 1772. This was fifteen years before there was a county of Huntingdon. Huntingdon County was established in the year 1787 being named in honor of the countess of Huntingdon, England.

The ancestor of the Swope family in America was born in 1678 and settled in Pennsylvania in colonial times in 1720. This was fifty-five years before the Revolutionary War.

One hundred and eighteen persons were in attendance coming from Pennsylvania, Iowa, West Virginia, and Ohio. To Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Meyer, of Council Bluffs, Iowa belongs the credit of making the longest journey to be present on this occasion. Mrs. Meyer is a grand-daughter of Lawrence Swope II who was one of the first settlers in Trough Creek Valley.

The oldest member of the family present was James F. Swope of Canton, Ohio, formerly of Colfax. He is over seventy-five years of age. The youngest was probably little Margaret Jean Swope aged two, of State College, Pa.

The old Swope homestead had been carefully prepared for this reunion by Mrs. Isabella Swope and Mr. and Mrs. Al D. Swope and all greatly appreciated their careful fore-thought and generous hospitality. A bountiful meal was spread at noon time and all did justice to the occasion.

Many expressions of sympathy were heard for the president of the organization, W. L. Swope who was unable to be present owing to recent illness. In his absence the vice president Wilbur D. Swope, A. M., a member of the faculty of the Pennsylvania State College took charge of affairs. The following officers were chosen: President, W. L. Swope, Colfax, Pa.; Vice Presidents, Wilbur D. Swope, State College, Pa. Ira W. Swope, Northumberland, Pa.; Oren G. Swope, Colfax, Pa.; and Kenneth Hauger, Shepherdstown, W. Virginia. Secretary, H. E. Swope.

The first speaker was the Rev. K. G. Swope, Ph. B., pastor of the M. E. Church at Elmore, Ohio. He dwelt upon the necessity for high standards of conduct and thinking and the manifold benefits which flow therefrom. The loud applause fully indicated the joy and helpfulness which his address radiated to all. The second speaker was Mr. W. L. Crottsley, of Alexandria, Va. A man of high ideals, he remarked upon the sterling virtues of the forefathers. By historic incidents he portrayed the high character of the pioneer settlers of this region. Mr. Crottsley's address was received with deep interest.

After these addresses the afternoon was spent in renewing old acquaintances and forming new ones. Old friends were there who had not seen each other for forty years. Many were the cordial greetings between old and young. As the sun began to sink behind the western hills, those who had assembled from places far and near departed with words of appreciation for a happy, glad reunion.

SWOPE REUNION

The third reunion of the Swope family was held at Liberty Park, Mill Creek, Pa.; Saturday, August 21, 1926. Although the heavy downpour of rain on Friday and Saturday prevented many persons from attending this reunion, in many ways it was one of the most interesting and successful ones yet held by the Swope family. Persons attended from the following states: Pennsylvania, New York, Ohio, and West Virginia.

The Swope family is one of the oldest in Pennsylvania, and was founded in America by Yost Swope who was born in 1678, and who settled in Upper Learock Township Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, in the year 1720.

The ancestor of the Swope family in Huntingdon County was Lawrence Swope I who was one of the pioneers of the Juniata Valley. He settled in what is now Shirley Township in the year 1772, prior to the formation of the county of Huntingdon. The county of Huntingdon was established in the year 1787, and was named in honor of Selina Hastings, the Countess of Huntingdon, England. Lawrence Swope II was one of the first settlers in Trough Creek Valley where he possessed the old homestead, now owned by Mrs. Isabella Swope. The early settlers of the beautiful Trough Creek Valley were attracted to the region by the stately white pine forests.

A bountiful luncheon was served and the afternoon was spent in renewing old acquaintances. Recitations by Mrs. Oren G. Swope and little Both Marion Swope were greeted with loud applause.

Some very interesting historical material was brought together by members of the family. Among this was a reproduction of the Swope coat of arms procured some years ago by Dr. Gilbert E. Swope from the Department of Heraldry in Vienna.

The oldest person present was James F. Swope, aged 77, of Canton, Ohio and the youngest was little Margaret Jean Swope, aged 4 of State College, Pa.

The following officers were re-elected: President, W. L. Swope, of Collax, Pa.; Vice Presidents, Wilbur D. Swope, A. M. of State College; Ira W. Swope of Northumberland, Pa.; Kenneth Hanger, of Shepherds-town, W. Virginia; Secretary, H. M. Swope.

An air of felicity seemed to pervade the whole reunion. Old and young enjoyed themselves thoroughly and as evening came on, following a very successful day, all departed for their various destinations. (Taken from the Daily News, Huntingdon, Pennsylvania.)

Persons present at the third reunion of the Swope family held at Liberty Par, Mill Creek, Pa. August 21, 1926 were as follows:

Name -----	Address -----
W. D. Swope	State College, Pa.
Maude E. Swope	State College, Pa.
Caroline Louise Swope	State College, Pa.
Margaret Jean Swope	State College, Pa.
Ira W. Swope	Northumberland, Pa.
James R. Swope	Northumberland, Pa.
H. M. Swope	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Beth Marion Swope	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Wendell Gayton	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Swope	Altoona, Pa.
E. J. McClain	Utica, N. Y.
J. M. Kessler	Northumberland, Pa.
John S. Hicks	Canton, Ohio
Carrie S. Hicks	Canton, Ohio
Mrs. B. W. Kurtz	Huntingdon, Pa.
Mrs. Isabelle Swope	Huntingdon, Pa.
C. E. Streightiff	Huntingdon, Pa.
Mrs. J. O. Bergantz	Huntingdon, Pa.
Robert Bergantz	Huntingdon, Pa.

Walter Bergantz
J. O. Bergantz
Wilbur D. Hicks
Bernice Hatch Meglaim
H. S. Pitzer
Ruth Starr Pitzer
Jane Averill Pitzer
Paul H. Pitzer
O. G. Swope
Mrs. O. G. Swope
L. R. Wright
Eeryl Swope Hicks
Oren Albert Swope

Huntingdon, Pa.
Huntingdon, Pa.
Canton, Ohio
Utica, N. Y.
Shepherdstown, W. Va.
Shepherdstown, W. Va.
Shepherdstown, W. Va.
Shepherdstown, W. Va.
Colfax, Pa.
Colfax, Pa.
Altoona, Pa.
Canton, Pa.
Colfax, Pa.

SWOPE FAMILY HAS ANNUAL REUNION

One Hundred Members Of
Clan Gather At
Alfarata

Saturday, July 30, 1950, the fourth reunion of the Swope family was held at Alfarata Park, Alexandria, Pa. Here on the banks of the blue Juniata more than one hundred persons assembled from Pennsylvania, Maryland, Ohio, Arizona, and North Dakota. It was a beautiful mid-summer day and an occasion of felicity.

The ancestor of the Swope family in America was born in 1673 and settled in Pennsylvania in colonial times in 1720. This was fifty years before the Revolutionary War. Dr. John Swope of Lancaster, Pa., was surgeon in the colonial army. Col. Michael Swope, who laid out the city of York, Pa., commanded the York County regiment in the Revolutionary War under General Washington and was one of the defenders of Fort Mifflin at the time when the British army attacked New York City.

Prior to 1773 Lawrence Swope settled on a grant of land in Dublin Township, Bedford County, now Shirley Township, Huntingdon County. This was fifteen years before the founding of Huntingdon County. The county of Huntingdon was founded in 1787 being named in honor of Salina Hastings, countess of Huntingdon, England. In the latter part of the eighteenth century Lawrence Swope established himself in the beautiful Trough Creek Valley where he is buried and where some of his descendants still live.

A delicious picnic dinner was served by the ladies of the family. Mrs. May Swope Bergantz Huntingdon, Pa.; O. G. Swope and W. L. Swope of Colfax, Pa. were in charge of local arrangements.

It was a source of much regret that the president, W. L. Swope, was unable to attend on account of serious illness. In his absence the vice-president, Wilbur D. Swope, State College, Pa. took charge of the program.

The chief address of the day was made by Rev. H. G. Swope, Ph. B. pastor of the Riverside Methodist Church, Harrisburg, Pa.; and by J. B. Boring of Huntingdon. Other speakers were A. D. Swope of Superior, Arizona, Miss Blanche A. Swope of Pittsburgh, Oren C. Swope of Colfax, Pa. and J. P. Kidder of Melville, North Dakota.

The following officers were chosen: President, Charles W. Swope of Pittsburgh, Honorary President, W. L. Swope of Colfax, Vice President, Al D. Swope of Superior, Arizona, Secretary, Harper E. Swope of Pittsburgh.

The late afternoon and evening were spent in renewing old acquaintances and in cordial greetings between old and young. Ross H. Swope of Harrisburg gave some very helpful historical information. (His little daughter, Anne was perhaps the youngest person present.) This was followed by the evening meal.

It was a happy, glad reunion on the banks of the historic Juniata. As the sun was setting behind the western mountains all departed with words of appreciation. (Taken from the Daily News, Huntingdon, Pa.)

Persons present at the fourth reunion of the Swope family held at Alta Vista Park, Alexandria, Pa., Saturday, July 26, 1930 were as follows:

Name	Address
Harper E. Swope	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. Della Fisher	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Beth Swope	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. Della Myers	Cumberland, Md.
Mr. S. B. Myers	Cumberland, Md.
Betty Jane Triplett	Cumberland, Md.
Ruth Elizabeth Ward	Houston, Pa.
H. G. Swope	Harrisburg, Pa.
Blanche A. Swope	Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mrs. Shore
 Mrs. Sigman Ashmun
 Mrs. Joseph C. Brown
 L. S. Fisher
 Mrs. L. S. Fisher
 W. D. Swope
 Caroline Louise Swope
 Margaret Jean Swope
 Owen G. Swope
 Albert G. Swope
 Phillip G. Fisher
 John S. Hicks
 Mrs. Carrie Swope Hicks
 Mrs. O. C. Swope
 C. M. Morley
 J. B. Doring
 Charles W. Swope
 Mrs. Lois Doring Swope
 Mrs. Florine Wright
 David Wright
 Ernest Wright
 Mrs. Mabel Swope Wright
 Mrs. Isabell Swope
 Mrs. C. M. Morley
 Mrs. Al D. Swope
 H. C. Wright
 Wendell G. Swope
 W. Herouliet
 S. B. Myers
 Al D. Swope
 J. O. Bergantz
 Mrs. May Swope Bergantz
 Walter Swope Bergantz
 Robert L. Bergantz
 Claude H. Swope
 Mrs. Julia Streightiff
 J. P. Hader
 Ross H. Swope
 Mrs. Ross H. Swope
 Lida Anne Swope
 W. L. Wright
 Mrs. Jacob Brenneman
 Jacob W. Brenneman

Saltville, Pa.
 Saltville, Pa.
 Monessen, Pa.
 Houston, Pa.
 Houston, Pa.
 State College, Pa.
 State College, Pa.
 State College, Pa.
 Colfax, Pa.
 Colfax, Pa.
 Houston, Pa.
 Canton, Ohio
 Canton, Ohio
 Colfax, Pa.
 Huntingdon, Pa.
 Huntingdon, Pa.
 Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Altoona, Pa.
 Altoona, Pa.
 Huntingdon, Pa.
 Superior, Arizona
 Altoona, Pa.
 Altoona, Pa.
 Colfax, Pa.
 Cumberland, Md.
 Superior, Arizona
 Huntingdon, Pa.
 Huntingdon, Pa.
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 State College, Pa.
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 Melville, W. Dakota
 Harrisburg, Pa.
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SUCCESSIONAL SWOPE REUNION MEETING IN
McCONNELLSBURG

The fifth Swope reunion held last Saturday in McConnellsburg had a fair attendance. This is the first time that this reunion has been held outside Huntingdon County, so we were quite pleased with the attendance especially since the majority of those present had not been to the previous reunions.

There were five ancestors represented:

(1) Benedict Swope who was a Methodist Minister in York, moving to Baltimore around 1758, thence to Kentucky where he died in 1811. His descendants were represented by Mr. Edwin H. Swope of Canton, Ohio.

(2) Jacob Swope who died in Lebanon County prior to 1733. His descendants were represented by Mrs. Dostler and family of Mountville, Pa.; and Mrs. Guy Swope and family of Harrisburg, Pa.

(3) Thomas Swope who died in Hagerstown; have no other knowledge. His descendants were represented by Samuel Swope and Mrs. James Stake of Greencastle.

(4) Lawrence Swope, Sr.; who died in Huntingdon County in 1794, leaving a wife Ann, and eight children, the three boys being the only ones whose records we have. His oldest son John married Tempe Stevens and died in Woodbury Township, Bedford County in 1820, leaving either nine or eleven children, Andrew, David, Polly married William King, no other record; John, James died unmarried; Robert, Nancy, Isaac, no other record; William and possibly Peter whose wife's name was Elizabeth and Henry who probably married a Neff. No proof or further record of these last two.

(5) George F. Swope who died in York County in 1880, and who married Anna Maria Hager, was also represented at the reunion, but do not know by whom represented. Anna Maria Hager was the daughter of Captain Jonathan Hager, who laid out the town of Hagerstown.

John and Tempe Stevens Swope had the largest number of descendants at the reunion.

Mr. Oscar Swope and family of Pittsburgh; Mrs. Sparver of Pittsburgh; Mr. Ross H. Swope and family of Harrisburg; Mr. Charles P. Swope and Miss Anna Swope of Fayetteville represented David's descendants.

Dr. L. W. Swope and family, Mrs. Bertha Swope, W. E. Swope and Austin G. Swope of Pittsburgh; Mrs. Edward Mellott and family, Edward Swope and family of Fulton County and Mrs. Bedford and family of Shippensburg represented Robert's descendants.

Lawrence Swope, Jr., was born in 1793 and settled in Trough Creek Valley. He was represented by Mrs. Kenneth Hauger and family of Shepherds-town, W. Va. and Charles W. Swope of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mr. Charles W. Swope is the president of the organization but most unfortunately had engine trouble and did not get to the reunion until very late in the afternoon. The secretary of the organization, Mr. Harper E. Swope, had been visiting his brother in Trough Creek Valley and they did not come. This left the organization rather disorganized for the day. As this goes to press we do not have the complete list of names of those present.

The tentative plans for the reunion next year are that it will be held in Spangler Grove in Trough Creek Valley, provided the state high way is in good condition. Notices will be sent as they were this year.

Will any person who has any knowledge of the descendants of any Swope please send in as much for records as they can? We hope eventually to have enough data as well as interesting anecdotes and traditions of the Swope clan to make a very interesting printed record. (Taken from The Fulton County News, McConnellsburg, Pa.)

Persons present at the fifth reunion of the Swope family held at Fair Grounds, McConnellsburg, Pa., Saturday, July 25, 1931 were as follows:

NAME

Dr. L. W. Swope	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Miss Blanche Swope	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. L. W. Swope	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Charles W. Swope	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. Lois Boring Swope	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Edwin M. Swope	Canton, Ohio
Mrs. Distler & Family	Mountville, Pa.
Mrs. Gay Swope & Family	Harrisburg, Pa.
Samuel Swope	Greencastle, Pa.
Mrs. James Stake	Greencastle, Pa.
Oscar Swope & Family	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. Bertha Swope	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. Sparver	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Ross H. Swope & Family	Harrisburg, Pa.
Charles F. Swope	Fayetteville, Pa.
Miss Anna Swope	Fayetteville, Pa.
W. E. Swope	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Austin G. Swope	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. Edward Mellett & Family	Fulton County
Mrs. Bedford & Family	Shippensburg, Pa.
Mrs. Kenneth Hauger	Shepherdstown, W. Va.
Harlow Pitzer	Shepherdstown, W. Va.
Mrs. Ruth Starr Pitzer	Shepherdstown, W. Va.
Jane Pitzer	Shepherdstown, W. Va.
Mrs. Young	Hopewell, Pa.
William Swope	Needmore, Pa.
Andrew Swope	Needmore, Pa.
Richard Swope	Worwood, Pa.

The announcement of the sixth annual reunion of the Swope family read as follows:

SWOPE FAMILY REUNION
Spangler Grove, Calvin, Pa.

Saturday, August 18th, 1932

Dear Friends:

You and your family are cordially invited to attend the Swope Family Reunion to be held Saturday, August 18th, 1932 at Spangler Grove, Calvin, Pa. Informal reception at 11:00 A. M. Eastern Standard Time. Basket picnic dinner at noon. Program at 1:30. Games and amusements at 3:00.

Charles W. Swope, Pres., 9 East Montgomery Ave.,
N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Harper E. Swope, Vice Pres., & Sec'y., 3308 Camp
St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Wilbur Swope, Vice Pres., State College, Pa.

Blanche A. Swope, Gen. Sec'y., Richland Lane,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Calvin is on Pennsylvania Highway route 73. Turn south from route 22, across river bridge west of Mill Creek and follow route 73 to Casaville. Turn north from route 30 to McConnellsburg, Pa. via route 82 to Gettysburg, 376 to Three Springs, and 76 to Casaville. Turn north from route 30 at Everett, via route 26 to Sutton, 913 to Waterfall, and 73 to Casaville.

SWOPE REUNION IS LARGELY ATTENDED

Held Saturday Near Old Family Home In Trough Creek

The sixth annual reunion of the Swope family was held in the beautiful Trough Creek Valley within three miles of the original Swope homestead on Saturday, August 13, 1932.

Almost three hundred persons assembled on this occasion, coming from states from Maine to Texas. It was a delightful summer day and the well-known hospitality of Trough Creek Valley was enjoyed by all.

A bountiful picnic dinner was served, after which a program of speeches and recitals was presented. Charles W. Swope, of Pittsburgh, the president, made a brief address. The invocation was pronounced by Richard Swope of Philadelphia. This was followed by a recitation given by Miss Nelma Williams of Dallas, Texas. Addresses were delivered by Miss Blanche A. Swope, of Pittsburgh; Mr. J. B. Boring of Huntingdon and Ross H. Swope of Harrisburg.

The tentative place for the next reunion was set at Swope Park, Confederate Avenue, Gettysburg, Pa.

The Swope reunion was first organized by members and descendants of Lawrence Swope, Junior.

The first record discovered by Lawrence Swope, Junior, and also the last, was in Trough Creek Valley. In 1785 Lorrence Swope bought property from Peter Reilly, in Hopewell Township, Little Trough Creek, adjoining the lines of Peter Liley on the South and Peter Dean. This deed was recorded on October 8, 1785 and the signature was Lorrence Swope and in English. Lawrence Swope dropped dead in a blacksmith shop at Cassville in 1844. Five years earlier we find a final deed, there are several of various dates for this same tract of land, that was deed for a monor consideration from Laurenz Swob and Ann Swob; with signatures in German; to James Carmichaels. This final deed in part is that William Smith of Philadelphia sold property of 150 acres which he had bought from John Owings to Lawrence Swope, (note spelling) of Dublin Township, Bedford County, Pa.

Sale was contracted between Swope and Smith September 6, 1770 and Smith signed the deed in June 11, 1777. Witnesses were Robert Cluggage and John Carmichaels. Deed recorded and compared with the original in December 23, 1780. Another deed for same property reading in part Lawrence Swope and his wife Ann of Washington County, Md., did sell, etc. to James Carmichaels ostate sold to Dr. William Smith by John Owens bearing date of April 5, 1760 and to me by William Smith bearing date of June 11, 1777, being the plantation on which John Owens formerly lived and on which James Carmichaels now lives agreeable to contract made to him bearing date of April 5, 1777. Witnesses to this sale were Hugh Davision and Samuel Thompson.

Two of Lawrence Swope, Junior's married daughters witnessed the signatures. One married Dean and the other married Robert Thompson.

There are two separate records of letters of administration being issued on the estate of Lawrence Swope, one in Philadelphia County, dated March 1794 letters of administration being issued.

Persons in attendance at the 6th reunion held Saturday, August 13, 1932 at Spangler's Grove Calvin, Pa.

NAME	ADDRESS
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Caroline L. Swope	State College, Pa.
Jane Cordery	Toledo, Ohio
Jane Averill Pitzer	Shepherdstown, W. Va.
Paul H. Pitzer	Shepherdstown, W. Va.
Mr. & Mrs. S. E. Swope	Gettysburg, Pa.
Mary E. Swope	Gettysburg, Pa.
Harold Swope	Gettysburg, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. S. F. Swope	Gettysburg, Pa.
Miss Eva Raffensperger	Gettysburg, Pa.
Florence E. Mench	N. Braddock, Pa.

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Mr. & Mrs. W. D. Swope & Family	State College, Pa.
Mrs. Ettie Swope Phoasant	Cassville, Pa.
Loy Hauger	Shepherdstown, W. Va.
Ray M. Swope	Colfax, Pa.
Ruth Starr Pitzer	Shepherdstown, W. Va.
Phyllis G. Wright	Colfax, Pa.
Mrs. Grace Swope	Colfax, Pa.
Mrs. John Reed	Hopewell, Pa.
Mernill Reed	Hopewell, Pa.
Bernice Reed	Hopewell, Pa.
Lucile Duncan	Vanivent, Ohio
Mrs. K. T. Hager	Hagerstown, Md.
Julius H. Swope	Downingtown, Pa.
E. S. Chilcott	Colfax, Pa.
Ross T. Swope	Harrisburg, Pa.
John H. Swope	Bothel, Ohio
E. S. Chilcott	Colfax, Pa.
Ida Chilcott	Colfax, Pa.
Emma Chilcott	Colfax, Pa.
Dora Swope Walker	Downingtown, Pa.
M. E. Aurand	Aluionesson, N. J.
A. E. Aurand	Aluionesson, N. J.
Elmer E. Swope	Downingtown, Pa.
Mrs. Mable Wright	Altoona, Pa.
Mr. Harry Wright	Altoona, Pa.
Mrs. Lnn Hollek	State College, Pa.
Mrs. I. W. J. McClain	Utica, N. Y.
Miss Florence Swope	Greenville, Pa.
Buddy Swope	Greenville, Pa.
Bobbie B. Kitzmiller	Shippensburg, Pa.
W. D. Swope	Ithaca, N. Y.
Mrs. W. D. Swope	Ithaca, N. Y.
Lorenzo Merk, Jr.	Six Mile Run, Pa.
John M. Starr	Cassville, Pa.
Mrs. Rebecca Adler	Cassville, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. J. B. Port	Merhanirsburg, Pa.
Mrs. J. C. Brown	Saltillo, Pa.
Samuel F. Swope	Gettysburg, Pa.
Mrs. Samuel F. Swope	Gettysburg, Pa.
Lewis Ranch	Altoona, Pa.
J. L. Houch	State College, Pa.
Horbort G. Ranch	Altoona, Pa.
Marino Vect	Altoona, Pa.
J. C. Brown	Saltillo, Pa.

NAME

ADDRESS

Lillian E. Butz	Bedford, Pa.
William Hazard	Calvin, Pa.
Lee Stubbs	Mapleton, Depot, Pa.
Edgar Swope	Cassville, Pa.
Herbert L. Swope	Cassville, Pa.
Elizabeth Maisie Swope	Cassville, Pa.
Mrs. Edgar Swope	Cassville, Pa.
Richard L De Swope	Gottysburg, Pa.
Harold E. Swope	Gottysburg, Pa.
Julius H. Swope	Gottysburg, Pa.
Samuel E. Swope	Gottysburg, Pa.
Mrs. Samuel Swope	Gottysburg, Pa.
Mary Emily Swope	Todd, Pa.
Vincent Swope	Todd, Pa.
Cloyd Swope	Todd, Pa.
Anna E. Swope (Mrs Buno)	Todd, Pa.
Edwin Buno Swope	Todd, Pa.
Mrs. Helen Swope	Patton, Pa.
Hilda Swope	Patton, Pa.
Hazel Stevens	New Granada, Pa.
E. W. Swope	Needmore, Pa.
Coy Swope	Needmore, Pa.
L. Paul Swope	Needmore, Pa.
Mrs. H. W. Swope	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Marjorie Swope	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Evelyn Swope	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Howard W. Swope	Pittsburgh, Pa.
George R. Swope	Greencastle, Pa.
Mrs. George R. Swope	Greencastle, Pa.
J. R. Swope	Greencastle, Pa.
Celina Szahe	Greencastle, Pa.
J. B. Swope	Clearfield, Pa.
Mrs. Ed Mellott	
Wendell G. Swope	Altoona, Pa.
Mrs. C. L. Sowers	New Oxford, Pa.
George W. Pheasant	Cassville, Pa.
Mrs. George W. Pheasant	Cassville, Pa.
Mrs. W. R. MacDamara	Huntingdon, Pa.
Judson Mellott, Jr.	Johnstown, Pa.
William B. Miller	Tyrone, Pa.
E. V. Mellott	Needmore, Pa.
Cora Lida Meck	Six Mile Run, Pa.
George Meck	Six Mile Run, Pa.
W. E. May	Everett, Pa.
Mary Swope May	Everett, Pa.

Dorothy Kitzmiller
 Anna Kinzel
 Richard Kitzmiller
 Howard Kitzmiller
 C. L. Sowers
 Mrs. Wanda Mellott
 Al D. Swope
 Mrs. J. B. Swoope
 Evelyn Swoope
 Marjorie Wood
 Reed Wood
 Joe Swope
 Mrs. Ed. Gutshell
 Bobbie Leah Williams
 R. L. Williams
 Charles W. Swope
 Judson Truex
 Charles Swope
 Mrs. S. B. Swope
 S. B. Swope
 Charles A. Swope
 Gayton W. Swope
 Mrs. Gayton W. Swope
 Robert Swope
 Peggy Ruth Swope
 Jack Vogelang
 Lucille Duncan
 Mrs. Al D. Swope
 Mrs. R. W. Swope
 R. W. Swope
 W. E. Swope
 Mrs. C. W. Swope
 Charles W. Swope
 C. B. Black
 Thomas L. Swope
 John Swope
 Mrs. E. B. Black
 Robert Bergantz
 Susan M. Bedford
 S. L. Bedford
 Janot Bard
 T. L. Banks
 Mrs. T. L. Banks
 Mrs. Mary Clapper
 Ella L. Coder
 Alma Coder
 Ella L. Coder, Jr.
 Charles W. Swope
 Earl Clark

Shippensburg, Pa.
 Farrell, Pa.
 Shippensburg, Pa.
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 New Oxford, Pa.
 Needmore, Pa.
 Huntingdon, Pa.
 Clearfield, Pa.
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 Lewiston, Pa.
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 Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Needmore, Pa.
 Columbus, Ohio
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 West Chester, Pa.
 Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Bellevue, Pa.
 Van West, Ohio
 Huntingdon, Pa.
 Norwood, Pa.
 Norwood, Pa.
 Terrace, Pa.
 Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Tyrone, Pa.
 Toledo, Ohio
 Wildwood, Pa.
 Tyrone, Pa.
 Huntingdon, Pa.
 Shippensburg, Pa.
 Shippensburg, Pa.
 Needmore, Pa.
 Altoona, Pa.
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 New Exterprise, Pa.
 Mapleton Depot, Pa.
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 Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Six Milo Run, Pa.

Mrs. Earl Clark
 Elment Clark
 Robert Swope Campbell
 Ed. S. Gutsholl
 David Green
 Thelma Dechor
 Marion Gilbert
 Liberty Gextley
 Mrs. K. L. Hager
 Mrs. J. L. Hager
 Richard Lin
 Loyd C. Hammon
 Mrs. Myrtle Pheasant Hammon
 Bessie Hammon
 Edsel Hammon
 Mrs. Amanda Swope Hammon
 Norman Hallenshead
 Helon Swope Weahland
 Mrs. Lou Emma Wood
 Mrs. A. R. Wood
 Anna May Wood
 Fud Wood
 Nelma Williams
 Mrs. Erba L. Coder
 Clyde Swope
 Mrs. E. M. Swope
 Nevada Mellott
 Gertrude Mellott
 Mary Swope
 Floyd Swope
 Eva M. Roffensperger
 A. B. Tisstead
 C. H. Tyan
 G. M. Richabaugh
 Mrs. G. M. Richabaugh
 Blanche A. Swope
 Mrs. E. H. Wright
 Yolanda Williams
 Mrs. T. P. Williams
 Mrs. Mabel Swope Wright
 Harry C. Wright
 Bruce H. Swope
 Mrs. V. Mae Reed
 Mrs. O. G. Swope
 Edward Swope
 Oren G. Swope
 Elra Swope Walker

Six Mile Run, Pa.
 Six Mile Run, Pa.
 Patton, Pa.
 Huntingdon, Pa.
 Saltillo, Pa.
 Needmore, Pa.
 Shippensburg, Pa.
 Bainesboro, Pa.
 Hagerstown, Pa.
 Shepherdstown, Pa.
 Bedford, Pa.
 Three Springs, Pa.
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 Sipes Mill, Pa.
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Mrs. F. LeRoy Kitzmiller
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Susanna G. Miller
W. K. Mac Nomara
Evelyn Mellott
Jackson Mellott
Theodora Jane Mellott
Jane Averill Pitzer
B. H. H. Swope
Walter Meck
Ruth Starr Pitzer
Albert Earl Aurand
Mrs. L. C. Ashbrook
Mr. J. B. Boring
May Swope Bergantz
L. C. Ashbrook
L. H. Meck
Mrs. George Meck
Maggie Meck
Mrs. Earl Aurand
Mrs. Maud Miller
I. W. J. McClain
Edwin Menslayer
Thelma Coder
Harper E. Swope

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Utica, N. Y.
Cassville, Pa.
Mapleton Depot, Pa.
Pittsburgh, Pa.

The announcement of the seventh annual reunion
of the Swope family reads as follows:

SWOPE FAMILY REUNION

Rosalind Camp, Gettysburg, Pa.
Saturday, August 12, 1933

Dear Friends:

You and your family are cordially invited to attend the Joint Reunion of the Swope Family groups to be held Saturday, August 12, 1933, at Rosalind Camp on the Battlefield, on West Confederate Avenue and Peach Orchard Road, Gettysburg, Pa. Come early and stay as long as you can. Plenty of room for everyone and plenty of shelter in case of rain. Official Guide for Battlefield tour will start at 10:30 from Rosalind Camp and will return there at 12:15 P. M. You are requested to bring your own basket lunch. Tables free. Coffee, sandwiches and ice cream will be sold. Program 1:45 to 4:00 P. M. (Eastern Standard Time.)

SWOPE FAMILY REUNION COMMITTEE

Blanche A. Swope, Secretary, Richland Lane,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Ross H. Swope, Chairman, P. O. Box 1134,
Harrisburg, Pa.

Going east on route 30 turn right on route 15 towards Emmitsburg -- Rosalind C amp is 2 miles south west of Gettysburg Square.

SWOPE REUNION

Gottysburg, Pa. Saturday, August 12, 1933

More than two hundred Swopes enjoyed the day of reunion at Rosalind Camp on the Battlefield, at Gettysburg, Pa., Saturday, August 12, 1933. A large party of them made a tour of the Battlefield in the morning and after partaking of a very generous basket lunch entered with spirit into a family meeting at two-thirty in the afternoon.

The program was in charge of Ross H. Swope, of Harrisburg, Chairman, and Miss Blanche A. Swope, of Pittsburgh, Pa., Secretary. Those who participated were: Miss Betty Swope of Gettysburg, who read a poem of welcome which was composed by her grandmother Mrs. Samuel E. Swope, Mr. Wilbur D. Swope of State College, who told of Lawrence and Ann Swope, the ancestors of the Huntingdon County group of Swopes, Rev. Pierce E. Swope of Lebanon, who delighted the assembly with some of the merriest Swope stories. His witty remarks accompanying his stories provoked instant laughter. Mrs. Dora Swope Walker of Downingtown, Pa., told of the traditions of the families descended from Peter Swope of Frankford, Pa. Miss Blanche A. Swope of Pittsburgh, detailed an account of the research made recently in Germany concerning the original family of Schwab - Swope.

An interesting exhibit of a number of coats of arms of the Schwab Swope family which had been done in water colors by Ross H. Swope, was briefly explained by him both during the program and to individuals afterward. It appears from the discussion that ensued that that of Wurttemberg is undoubtedly the correct insignia of the American family.

Among those in attendance were:

Miss Blanche A. Swope
 William D. Swope
 Emma L. Swope
 Helen P. Swope
 William A. Swope
 Dhimitra Tassi
 Kathryn Ludwig
 Wilbur D. Swope
 Maud H. Swope
 Caroline L. Swope
 Margaret J. Swope
 Mr. & Mrs. R. W. Swope
 Mrs. J. C. Brown
 Mrs. J. P. Mellott
 J. P. Mellott
 Judson Mellott
 Theodora J. Mellott
 Mrs. Albert Swope
 Reina Maorz
 Violet Ward
 Lloyd A. Mellott
 Sophia Mellott
 Jacob R. Mellott
 Ralph L. Mellott
 L. H. Meck
 Jane Meck
 Myrtle Meck
 Earl Clark
 Marian Clark
 Frances Hain Swope
 Lyda Anne Swope
 Ross H. Swope
 Rev. Pierce E. Swope
 Mrs. Pierce E. Swope
 Mr. & Mrs. J. S. Swope
 John Swope
 J. L. Swope
 Eugene Swope
 Mrs. J. L. Swope
 Arlene Swope
 Anna Mae Swope
 Florence Swope
 Mr. & Mrs. Wesley Sholly
 Violet Sholly
 Betty Sholly

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Carrie Mae Sholly
 Mr. & Mrs. William Light
 Marian Light
 Kathryn Light
 Roy Light
 Mr. & Mrs. C. L. Sowers
 Mrs. Steve Tolin
 Geraldine Tolin
 D. Augustus Swope
 Mrs. D. Augustus Swope
 Rebecca Swope
 D. Augustus Swope, Jr.
 Mrs. Dora Swope Walker
 Mrs. Kate Swope Baxter
 Anna Thomas
 Henry Merz
 Joseph Thomas
 Mrs. John Swope Hamman
 Lloyd Hamman
 Odes Hamman
 Arlene Hamman
 Ronald Hamman
 Bessie Hamman
 Desel Hamman
 Harry Swope
 Mrs. Harry Swope
 LeDane Swope
 Betty Jane Swope
 John Swope
 Constance Swope
 Francis Swope
 Harold Swope
 Evelyn Swope
 Mr. & Mrs. Franklin Swope
 Betty Swope
 Franklin Swope, Jr.
 Richard Swope
 Julius Swope
 Jane Swope
 Ruth Ann Swope
 David Swope
 Effie Swope Bunn
 Charles Swope Dunn
 James Bunn
 John H. Baxter
 Mary A. Baxter
 Harry O. Baxter
 Mr. & Mrs. Elmer E. Swope

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 Downingtown, Pa.

Mr. & Mrs. S. H. Baxter
 Mrs. Cecelia Swope Grimes
 Mr. & Mrs. Oren G. Swope
 Mrs. Stella Wright
 Mr. & Mrs. L. J. Hamman
 Geraldine Hamman
 Mary Hamman
 John Hamman
 Norman Swope
 Edith Buck
 Eva C. Buck
 Mr. & Mrs. Calvin R. Hunter
 E. Mildred Hunter
 Calvin R. Hunter, Jr.
 Mr. & Mrs. H. M. Fields
 Mr. & Mrs. Harry F. Swope
 Elias Swope
 Mrs. Elizabeth Swope
 Mrs. John Reed
 Bernice Reed
 Mrs. E. A. Sultner
 Robert M. Swope
 Velma Jane Swope
 Mrs. Mary B. Swope
 Mr. & Mrs. C. A. Swope
 Charles Swope
 Bessie Swope
 Earl Swope
 Mr. & Mrs. Charles Swope
 Helen E. Swope
 Ruth Catherine Swope
 Mrs. G. A. Raffensperger
 Eva Raffensperger
 Mr. & Mrs. Curtis Swope
 Mary Swope
 George Swope
 Howard Swope
 Guy J. Swope
 Mrs. Margie Gerberich Swope
 Marjorie E. Swope
 Harold W. Swope
 Leo F. Swope
 Thomas D. Swope
 Mrs. Edna Lutz Swope
 Mildred Swope
 Anna Marie Swope
 Harry John Swope
 Ruth Swope Malin
 Mrs. Homer Frantz
 Roy Frantz
 Clara Bello Frantz
 Mr. & Mrs. C. L. Mierloy
 Mr. & Mrs. David Ricabaugh

Chester, Pa.
 Albuquerque, Pa.
 Colfax, Pa.
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 Pitcairn, Pa.
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 Mt. Union, Pa.
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 Mt. Union, Pa.
 Gettysburg, Pa.
 Lebanon, Pa.
 Lebanon, Pa.
 Hopewell, Pa.
 Hopewell, Pa.
 York, Pa.
 Creslo, Pa.
 Creslo, Pa.
 Turtle Creek, Pa.
 Abbottstown, Pa.
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 New Oxford, Pa.
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 Philadelphia, Pa.
 Fredericksburg, Pa.
 Fredericksburg, Pa.
 Fredericksburg, Pa.
 Huntingdon, Pa.
 Altoona, Pa.

(Taken from The Gettysburg, Pa. Times.)

SWOPE REUNION

The reunion (basket picnic) will be held on Saturday, August 11, 1934 at Alfrata Park, Alexandria, Pa., about a mile east of Water St. and ten miles west of Huntington, Pa, on Pennsylvania route 22.

The Opening Address will be given at 1:30 P. M. E. S. T., by Mr. Stevens of State College.

Blanche A. Swope, Secretary
Richland Lane
Pittsburgh, No. 8, Pa.

SWOPE REUNION

The eighth reunion of the Swope family was held at Alfarata Park, Alexandria, Pa, on Saturday, August 11, 1934. It was a rainy day.

It was decided to continue the same officers in the future. The reunion next year is to be put on by the eastern branch of the family.

Al D. Swope and O. G. Swope were appointed as a committee for the reunion to be held in 1936 by the western branch of the family.

SWOPE CLAN HOLDS ANNUAL REUNION

Ancestors Listed Among Early Settlers of This Section

The annual Swope reunion was held Saturday, August 11, 1934 at Alfarata Park, Alexandria, Pa. Mr. Ross H. Swope of Harrisburg presided.

The Mapleton Choristers, a group of small girls under the direction of Miss Marjorie Wood rendered several selections which were most enjoyable.

Mr. S. K. Stevens from the history department of State College, spoke on the old towns of Pennsylvania, their origin and development. This was not only instructive but most interesting, for few know enough about our state and its development, and many of our ancestors were instrumental in the subsequent developments of the early towns, moving westward as the need for land expansion grew in their minds.

Mr. Ross Swope read a paper about David Swope and his family; who left Huntingdon County in 1801 for Ohio.

The meeting was well attended although there were not as many early ancestors represented as has been at other reunions.

This year there were only four early ancestors represented, these were descendants of John Swope, 1704-1779, son of Yost; descendants of Peter Swopo, descendants of Henry Swope of Hesse Dienstadt, born in 1710?, who died presumably at Valley Forge in 1782, and descendants of Lawrence Swope who died in Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania in 1794. To date we have found no record of either Peter or Lawrence Swope but they too may have been grandchildren of Yost Swope, born 1656 in Leimen near Heidleberg, Germany, and died in 1739 in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.

German records state that Yost, son of George and Margarotta Simmornam Schwab, was Married May 27, 1681, in Sinshelm, Bedon, Germany, to Anna Katharina Wolfhart. They had two sons who have not been recorded in American lines. Jost Konrad, born January 11, 1690, and Hans or John George, born July 19, 1782. The German records also state that Yost Schwab came to America in Company with his son-in-law, Hans (John) Eberhardt Riehm and that they settled first in Reamstown, Lancaster County, Pa.

Those in attendance at the reunion listed on next page:

NAME	ADDRESS
Mr. & Mrs. Oren G. Swope	Colfax, Pa.
Albert Swope	Colfax, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. Ray A. Swope, Family	Altoona, Pa.
Ross H. Swope	Harrisburg, Pa.
Robert M. Swope, Family	St. Michaels, Pa.
R. A. Swope	Dunlo, Pa.
Miss Vesta Swope	Altoona, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. W. E. Swope, Family	Altoona, Pa.
Wendell G. Swope	Altoona, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. Wilbur D. Swope,	State College, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. Al D. Swope	Huntingdon, Pa.
Mrs. Alice C. Swope	Dayton, Ohio
Mr. & Mrs. C. Marshall Swope	Dayton, Ohio
Chester Swope	St. Michaels, Pa.
David H. Swope	New Bloomfield, Pa.
David Winggard Swope	Johnstown, Pa.
Miss Dorris E. Swope	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. Edward W. Swope,	Needmore, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. Elmer E. Swope	Downingtown, Pa.
Dr. & Mrs. George C. Swope	Mildred, Pa.
George Swope	St. Michaels, Pa.
Harper E. Swope	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. Harry R. Swope, Family,	Harrisburg, Pa.
Miss Hilda Swope	Patton, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. Ira W. Swope	Hummels Wharf, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. J. E. Swope, Family	Altoona, Pa.
Joseph Swope	Dunlo, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. L.W. Swope, Family	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Miss Mildred Kohler	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Fulton, Dau.	Cumberland, Md.
Mrs. Caroline Gastley, Family	Johnstown, Pa.
Mrs. Margaret Green	Saltillo, Pa.
Mrs. Loretta Grove, Daughter	Beaverdale, Pa.
Miss Olive Hazzard	Council Bluffs, Iowa
Mr. & Mrs. J. S. Hicks	Canton, Ohio
Mrs. Zelda R. Huston	Petersburg
Mrs. Mollie Marshall	Six Mile Run, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. Judson P. Mellott	Johnstown, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. L. C. Meyer	Council Bluffs, Iowa
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Mierley	Cassville, Pa.
Mrs. Laura May Minzer	Johnstown, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. S. B. Myers	Cumberland, Md.
Mrs. V. Map Reed	Saxton, Pa.
Roarbaugh Family, Cloyd, Lee,	
Dale, Lehman, Pearl, Sidney,	Six Mile Run, Pa.
W. B. Mohrer, Family	Mapleton, Depot, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. Adolph W. Schnoider	
Mrs. Anna Noff Soars	Dayton, Ohio

Mrs. Jacob Shaffer	Three Springs, Pa.
Mrs. Cora Sowers	New Oxford, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. G. R. Smith, Son	Altoona, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. Harry Stailey	New Oxford, Pa.
Mrs. H. L. Stubbs, Family	Mapleton Depot, Pa.
Miss Betty Jane Triplett	Cumberland, Pa.
Mrs. Charles A. Troutman	Saxton, Pa.
Mrs. Dora Swope Walker	Downingtown, Pa.
Mrs. E. Wertz, Daughter	Altoona, Pa.
Charles Hain Werner	Wernersville, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. A. Reed Wood, Dau.	Mapleton Depot, Pa.
Miss Anna Mary Wood	Lewistown, Pa.
Mrs. Lou Emma Wood	Mapleton Depot, Pa.
Mrs. C. H. Wright	Colfax, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. Harry C. Wright	Altoona, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. T. L. Banks	Altoona, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. J. O. Bergantz, Son	Huntingdon, Pa.
Mrs. Norman S. Bowers	Lewistown, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph C. Brown	Saltillo, Pa.
Robert Swope Campbell	Patton, Pa.
Misses Alma & Thelma Codor	Mapleton Depot, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. R. S. Cornelius,	Mount Union, Pa.
Miss Elizabeth Dollard	Huntingdon, Pa.
James Dollard	Huntingdon, Pa.
Mr. & Mrs. H. Dorricott, Family,	Turtle Creek, Pa.

The announcement of the ninth reunion of the Swope family read as follows:

SWOPE FAMILY REUNION

Rosalind Camp, Gettysburg, Pa.
Saturday, August 31, 1935

You and your family are cordially invited to attend the Joint Reunion of the Swope Family groups of Eastern and Western Pennsylvania, to be held Saturday, August 31, 1935, at "Rosalind Camp" on the Battlefield, on West Confederate Avenue and Peach Orchard Road, Gettysburg, Pa. Come early and stay as long as you can. Shelter in case of rain. A special viewing of the famous Cyclorama has been arranged leaving at 10:30 from Rosalind Camp with a guide and returning at 12:15. You are requested to bring your own basket lunch. Coffee, sandwiches, and ice cream will be sold. Program at 1:45 to 4:00 P. M. (E. S. T.)

SWOPE FAMILY REUNION COMMITTEE

Blanche A. Swope, Sec'y. Richland Lane, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Ross H. Swope, Chairman, P. O. Box 1134, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Ninth reunion of the Swope family was held at Rosalind Camp, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania on Saturday, August 31, 1935.

About 150 persons attended. Ross H. Swope of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania made an address. No newspaper account appears to have been made.

The announcement of the tenth reunion of the Swope family read as follows:

HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

THE
SWOPE
RE-UNION

HIGHLAND PARK
ALTOONA, PA.
Off Pennsylvania Highway 764

AUGUST 8th, 1936
10:00 o'clock A. M., Eastern Standard Time

In accordance with our efforts to have the Swope Reunion in various parts of the state where our ancestors were apt to roam, and at the same time have adequate shelter just in case!- the committee has chosen a municipal park, high above the water line and therefore safe from Miss Juniata, should she feel kittenish. The park has many tables and ovens as well as swings, and a very large shelter house, which will take care of all of us. May we fill it! In this shelter house are tables and two ovens where one may cook anything from water to steaks.

The committee has chosen an ideal spot for our reunion, for the park is beautiful; situated on a hill east of the Pennsylvania Railroad shops at South Altoona, it commands a view of the Mountains which surround, and one neither sees the visible signs of habitation nor hears the murmur of the city.

We will have our basket picnic as usual and those who come from a great distance are more than welcome to share our lunch.

The day has never been long enough, so this year we have decided to meet in the morning and have set 10:09 as a suggestive hour.

Do come and have a happy day.

Route 764 out of Duncansville; at P. R. R. shops, turn right just north of gate.

Follow the arrows and you will arrive!

Blanche A. Swope
Cor. Secretary

Charles W. Swope
President

323 Richland Lane
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Churchill 5501

339 Cornell Ave.
(West View)

Pittsburgh, Pa.
Wellington 2227

The tenth reunion of the Swope Family was held at Highland Park, Altoona, Pa. on Saturday, August 8, 1936.

About 200 persons were present from Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Illinois, Oklahoma, W. Virginia. The address was made by Colonel Shoemaker, editor of the Altoona Tribune. An orchestra from Philipsburg, Pennsylvania furnished the music.

There was no reunion held in the year 1937. It was the year that was appointed for the eastern branch of the Swope family to hold it.

The announcement of the eleventh reunion read as follows:

SWOPE REUNION ! ! !

You and your family are cordially invited to attend the Swope Reunion to be held Saturday, August 20, 1938, at Highland Park, Altoona, Pennsylvania.

The park is located at the southwest end of Altoona on route 764. Follow the markers.

Come early - bring your basket. Plenty of shelter.

Blanche A. Swope
323 Richland Lane
Pittsburgh, Pa.

July 8, 1938.

The eleventh reunion was held at Highland Park, Altoona, Pennsylvania on Saturday, August 20, 1938. It was a beautiful and pleasant sunny day.

The following account was taken from the Altoona Mirror of August 24, 1938 and was written by Miss Beth Swope and Mrs. H. C. Wright.

MANY PRESENT AT ANNUAL GATHERING OF SWOPE FAMILY

The annual Swope reunion was held at Highland Park on Saturday, August 20. There were more than 150 present for the picnic luncheon and an enjoyable program was held in the afternoon. The meeting was called to order by the president. Professor W. D. Swope of State College. The first address was by Rev. Jerome McQuillan, who spoke on memories of the past, followed by an address by Father Collin, who spoke of the present time.

Mark Holtzman of Harrisburg introduced a new plan of financing a reunion which met with hearty approval. This was followed by several musical selections by the Schnerr brothers. Mrs. Ethel Wood Holtzman read part of the history of the David Swope family of Mapleton. This history was written in a family Bible by A. W. Swope when he was 70 years old. Among the many things she read was that her grandfather worked in Cassville three years for \$90 while learning the carpenter trade.

H. E. Swope of Pittsburgh spoke of the Swope history. Collection of this historical data was started by G. A. Swope of Little Rock, Arkansas, now deceased, and himself. Although this history is now quite complete, research is still being conducted on it. Mr. Ashbrook of Columbus, Ohio recited a poem by Edgar Guest.

Frank Swope of Saginaw, Michigan read part of the history of his branch of the family, and Professor W. D. Swope of Ithaca, N. Y. gave a short history of the Swope family in New York State.

Plans for future reunions were discussed and it was decided that next year's reunion would be held at Gettysburg on the third Saturday of August. Robert Swope of St. Michael; the oldest member present, gave a short talk. Mr. I. W. J. McClain of Utica, N. Y. extended greetings to the Swope family.

Mrs. H. C. Wright, secretary of the group, ended the program by reading the following poem by Dr. S. D. Swope of El Paso, Texas, who was unable to be present at the reunion:

"There's a little bird on my window sill,
A tiny little thing;
It must have flown here from some
warmer clime to tell me it is spring.

It's the cutest little messenger,
With message old and new;
To bring warmth to the heart of mortal man,
I am sending it to you.

Of the friends we have had in yesterdays,
The friends that could not stay have flown,
Giving place on our window sills for the
friends of our today.

The white lillies that bloom at Easter time
Are gorgeous to behold;
But more beautiful than all the flowers
Are the friendships new and old."

Professor W. D. Swope of State College was re-
elected as president, Mrs. H. C. Wright was re-
elected corresponding secretary and treasurer and
Miss Beth Swope was appointed publicity secretary.

Latest Record of Harper C. Swape

Married: Thelma Elizabeth Boring
June 4, 1938

Children: Andrea Alice Swape
Born: January 17, 1939

Written By:

Andrea A. Swape

May 22, 1952



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